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OF THE  
PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE-COUNCIL  
OF THE  
STATE  
OF  
*NEW-JERSEY,*

In GENERAL ASSEMBLY convened at TRENTON, on TUESDAY the  
twenty-fourth Day of OCTOBER, in the Year of our LORD One Thou-  
sand Seven Hundred and Eighty.

BEING THE FIRST SITTING OF THE FIFTH SESSION.

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TRENTON:

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LIST of Persons returned as MEMBERS of the LEGISLATIVE-COUNCIL.

<i>Bergen,</i>	The Honourable	· Theunis Dey,	} Esquires.
<i>Effex,</i>		· James Caldwell,	
<i>Middlesex,</i>		· Benjamin Manning,	
<i>Monmouth,</i>		· Elisha Lawrence,	
<i>Somerset,</i>		· John Witherspoon,	
<i>Burlington,</i>		· Peter Tallman,	
<i>Gloucester,</i>		· John Cooper,	
<i>Salem,</i>		· Whitten Cripps,	
<i>Cape-May,</i>		· Jesse Hand,	
<i>Hunterdon,</i>		· John Stevens, <i>Vice-President,</i>	
<i>Morris,</i>		· Silas Condict,	
<i>Cumberland,</i>		· Jonathan Elmer,	
<i>Suffex,</i>		· John-Cleves Symmes,	

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<i>Bergen,</i>	} Esquires.	Peter Wilton,
		Isaac Blanch,
		Gabriel Ogden,
<i>Effex,</i>		Caleb Camp,
		Josiah Hornblower, <i>Speaker,</i>
		Daniel Marth,
<i>Middlesex,</i>		Jacob Schenck,
		Jacob Suydam,
		Melanthon Freeman,
<i>Monmouth,</i>		Thomas Seabrook,
		Nathaniel Scudder,
		Thomas Henderson,
<i>Somerset,</i>		Edward Bunn,
		David Kirkpatrick,
		Christopher Hoagland,
<i>Burlington,</i>		Thomas Fenimore,
		William Trent,
		William Hough,
<i>Gloucester,</i>		John Sparks,
		Thomas Rennard,
		Isaac Kay,
<i>Salem,</i>		John Mayhew,
		Allen Congleton, jun.
		William Smith,
<i>Cape-May,</i>		Joseph Hildreth,
		Jeremiah Eldredge,
		Matthew Whilden,
<i>Hunterdon,</i>		Benjamin Van-Cleve,
		Jared Sexton,
		John Lambert,
<i>Morris,</i>		William Winds,
		John Carle,
		Eleazer Lindfly,
<i>Cumberland,</i>		Thomas Ewing,
		Samuel Ogden,
		Ladis Walling,
<i>Suffex,</i>		Edmund Martin,
		Hugh Hughes,
		Samuel Kennedy,



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*TRENTON, Tuesday, October 24, 1780.*

P R E S E N T,  
The following MEMBERS,  
Mr. COOPER,  
Mr. WITHERSPOON,  
Mr. SYMMES.

There not being a sufficient Number of Members present, to proceed to Business—adjourned till To-morrow Morning Nine o'Clock.

*Wednesday, October 25, 1780.*

Present as before.

Adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The Members in Town met.

P R E S E N T,  
Mr. STEVENS, Mr. WITHERSPOON, Mr. CALDWELL.  
Mr. COOPER, Mr. SYMMES,

Adjourned till To-morrow Morning Nine o'Clock.

*Thursday, October 26, 1780.*

The Members met.

P R E S E N T,  
JOHN STEVENS, Esq. JOHN-CLEVES SYMMES, Esq. ELISHA LAWRENCE, Esq.  
JOHN COOPER, Esq. JAMES CALDWELL, Esq.  
JOHN WITHERSPOON, Esq. SILAS CONDUCT, Esq.

*John Stevens*, Esq. produced a Certificate of his being duly elected, which was read, and he took and subscribed the Oaths required by Law, before *Silas Condict*, Esq. one of the Members returned for this House, and took his Seat in Council.

*John Witherspoon*, *John-Cleves Symmes*, *James Caldwell* II, *Silas Condict* and *Elisba Lawrence*, Esquires, produced Certificates of their being duly elected; which were severally read, and thereupon they took and subscribed the Oaths required by Law, before *John Stevens*, Esq. one of the Members of the House, and took their Seats in Council.

*John Cooper*, Esq. produced a Certificate of his being duly elected; which was read, and he thereupon made and subscribed the Affirmation required by Law, before the said *John Stevens*, Esq. and took his Seat in Council.

The Honourable *John Stevens*, Esq. was unanimously elected Vice-President of the Council, pursuant to the Constitution; whereupon he took the Oath of Office, and was seated in the Chair accordingly.

*Bowes Reed*, Esq. was unanimously chosen Clerk of the Council, and took the Oath of Office accordingly.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Van-Cleve* and Mr. *Marsh*, in the Words following :

‘ Ordered,  
‘ THAT Mr. *Van-Cleve* and Mr. *Marsh* do wait on the Council, and acquaint them  
‘ that the House of Assembly have this Day proceeded to Business, and have chosen  
‘ the Honourable *Josiah Hornblower*, Esq. their Speaker.’

Ordered, That Mr. *Condict* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that this House have chosen the Honourable *John Stevens*, Esq. Vice-President of the Council, and this Day proceeded to Business.

Mr. *Condict* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *John Holmes* and *Daniel Hendrickson*, of the County of *Monmouth*, in Behalf of themselves and other Freeholders of the said County, presented to this House a Petition setting forth, that the Election lately held in said County for Representatives in Council and Assembly, was not a free one, and that the said Election was closed by the Judges on the Evening of the first Day, before all the Voters intending to vote had given their Votes, owing to their being on Militia Duty, with other Reasons, and praying that the said Election may be set aside, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of the County of *Morris*, setting forth the Inconvenience of Election for Representatives in Council and Assembly being confined to the Courthouse of said County, and praying Relief, was read and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Nine o’Clock.

*Friday, October 27, 1780.*

The House met.

P R E S E N T,  
The VICE-PRESIDENT,

Mr. COOPER,	Mr. SYMMES,	Mr. CONDUCT,
Mr. WITHERSPOON,	Mr. CALDWELL,	Mr. LAWRENCE.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Seabrook* and Mr. *Walling*.

‘ Ordered,  
‘ THAT Mr. *Seabrook* and Mr. *Walling* do wait on the Council, and inform them that  
‘ this House are ready to go into a Joint-Meeting to elect a Governor, and other  
‘ Officers of the State for the ensuing Year, and do propose that the Council appoint the  
‘ Time and Place of Meeting.’

Ordered, That Mr. *Lawrence* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that this House will be ready to go into a Joint-Meeting on *Tuesday* Morning next at Nine o’Clock, at the House of Mr. *Bergen*.

Mr. *Lawrence* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of the County of *Monmouth*, setting forth Inconveniencies attending the Law directing Certificates to be taken in Payment of Taxes, &c. and praying Relief, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Petition from the County of *Monmouth*, praying that the late Election in the said County may be set aside, was read a second Time, and sent to the House of Assembly.

The Petition from the County of *Morris*, praying an Alteration in the Election Law, was read a second Time, and sent to the House of Assembly.

A Letter from *Timothy Pickering*, Esq. Quartermaster-General, representing the great Want of Forage for the Use of the Army, and requesting some Mode may be devised for procuring it, was read; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Condict*, Mr. *Caldwell* and Mr. *Symmes*, with such other Members as choose to attend, be a Committee to join a Committee of the House of Assembly, in a free Conference on the Subject-Matter contained in the Letter from *Timothy Pickering*, Esq. Quartermaster-General, to the Legislature; and also the Necessity of guarding the Frontiers of this State this Winter; that the said Committees meet at the House of Mr. *Bergen*, and that Mr. *Lawrence* wait on the House of Assembly, and request them to appoint a Committee for the above Purpose.

Mr. *Lawrence* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met—Present as before.

*Peter Tallman* and *Benjamin Manning*, Esquires, produced Certificates of their being duly elected; which were severally read, and thereupon took and subscribed the Oaths required by Law, before the Honourable *John Stevens*, Esq. Vice-President, and took their Seats in Council.

*Thomas Marshall*, with Leave of the House, presented a Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for procuring to *Thomas Marshall* a Title for certain Lands in the County of *Gloucester*, purchased by his Father *Randal Marshall*, deceased, of *John Hinchman*, now a Fugitive with the Enemy;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Bunn* and Mr. *Martin*, in the Words following:

‘THE House having taken into Consideration the Message from the Council of this Day, by Mr. *Lawrence*, relative to appointing a Committee to join a Committee of the Council, in a free Conference on the Subject-Matter contained in the Letter from *Timothy Pickering*, Esq. Quartermaster-General, to the Legislature; and also of the Necessity of guarding the Frontiers this Winter; whereupon,

‘*Ordered*, That Mr. *Scudder*, Mr. *Marsh*, Mr. *Trent*, Mr. *Ewing* and Mr. *Freeman*, with such other Members as choose to attend, be a Committee to join a Committee of the Council, for the above Purpose, and that they meet at the Time and Place mentioned in the said Message, and that Mr. *Bunn* and Mr. *Martin* do wait on the Council, and inform them thereof.’

Several Petitions from the County of *Monmouth*, signed by 210 Persons, for setting aside the late Election for Members of the Council and Assembly; and also several others in Support of the said Election, signed by 244 Persons, together with the Depositions of *John Telf* and *Charles Wilet*, sent from the House of Assembly to this House, were read, and the further Consideration of them postponed till To-morrow Morning.

The Petition from the County of *Monmouth*, setting forth the Inconveniencies attending the Law directing Certificates to be taken in Payment of Taxes, &c. was read a second Time, and sent to the House of Assembly.

The House adjourned till Nine o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Saturday, October 28, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Petitions from the County of *Monmouth*, for and against the said Election: On Motion of Mr. *Wutherspoon*, that the further Consideration of the said Petitions be referred till *Monday* next; on the Question, it was carried in the Affirmative: And the Yeas and Nays being required by Mr. *Cooper*, are as follows:

Yeas.

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.	Nay.
Mr. Manning,	Mr. Tallman,	Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Symmes.
Mr. Witherspoon,	Mr. Condict.	Mr. Cooper,	

The House adjourned till *Monday Morning* Ten o'Clock, in order that the Members may attend the Committee of Conference.

*Monday, October 30, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met—Present as before.

The Conference with the House of Assembly not being finished, the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning, in order that the Members may attend the same.

*Tuesday, October 31, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

The House withdrew to attend a Joint-Meeting ; after some Time the House returned, and adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met—Present as before.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Nine o'Clock.

*Wednesday, November 1, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. Condict, from the Committee appointed to join a Committee of the House of Assembly, in a free Conference on the Subject-Matter contained in Quartermaster-General Pickering's Letter, and also the Necessity of guarding the Frontiers of the State this Winter, reported, that he was ready to make Report when the House would be pleased to receive the same.

*Ordered,* That the said Report be made immediately :

Whereupon Mr. Condict read the said Report in his Place, and delivered it in at the Table, which is as follows :

**Y**OUR Committee appointed to join a Committee of the House of Assembly, in a free Conference on the Subject-Matter contained in the Quartermaster-General's Letter of the 27th Ult. to the Legislature, and the Necessity of guarding the Frontiers of this State the ensuing Winter, beg Leave to report,

*First,* That some very speedy and vigorous Exertions are absolutely necessary to collect a Quantity of Forage sufficient for the Support of the Horses necessarily with the Army, and the Teams employed in transporting Provisions and other Stores.

*Second,* That although as much Power is already given by Law to Contractors and Magistrates as may perhaps be prudent to entrust with any Individuals, yet the Conferees are of Opinion, that it would not be prudent to attempt procuring the Supplies immediately required, under the sole Influence and Authority of the present Laws ; therefore,

*Third,* It is the Opinion of the Conferees, that the Requisitions sent to the several Contractors be accompanied by a Circular Letter from this Legislature, addressed to the Farmers and other Inhabitants of this State, assuring them, that as early this Sitting as possible, a Law shall pass to secure to them equal and full Justice with Respect to the Certificates they now hold, as well as for all other publick Debts already contracted, or which may be contracted in Consequence of the present Requisition, which shall be paid as soon as the Circumstances of this State will admit ; and expressing not only their Desire but Belief that the good People of this State, will not at this Time shew less Zeal, nor acquire less Fame than they have done on all similar Occasions.

*Fourth,* The Conferees recommend the Appointment of a Committee to confer with Colonel Nelson, Deputy Quartermaster for this State, that the Places most proper for Magazines may be ascertained, the Quantities of Forage required at each determined, and the most frugal Plans adopted.

*Fifth,*

*Fifth*, That a Committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency General *Washington*, to assure him that the Legislature will cheerfully draw forth all the Supplies this State can furnish for the Army under his Command; but at the same Time to inform His Excellency, that from the Drought of the last Summer, and the large Supplies already furnished, Hay is really so scarce that it will be necessary to send out of this State as early this Season as convenient, every Horse that can possibly be spared from the Army, and that it will be equally necessary to call upon the neighbouring States to fill the Magazines upon our Borders, that the Forage near them may be sent towards the Army; and that the same Committee do confer with His Excellency upon the Measures to be taken for guarding the Frontiers of this State the approaching Winter.

The Conference not having gone through all the Business before them, the Committee beg Leave to set again.

*By Order of the Conference,*

SILAS CONDICT,  
NATHL. SCUDDER.

Two Letters from His Excellency the President of Congress, enclosing a Letter from Commissary-General *Blaine*, and one from his Deputy in *Virginia*, on the Subject of Supplies of Provisions, and also a Resolution reducing the Number of Regiments in the Continental Army, were read, and referred to the Committee of Conference on the Letter from Quartermaster-General *Pickering*, &c.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Petitions for and against the late Election for Members of Council and Assembly in *Monmouth* County; on the Question, Whether the Petitioners have a Hearing on the said Petitions? It was carried in the Negative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yea.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .	Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Tallman</i> ,
Mr. <i>Cooper</i> ,		Mr. <i>Witherspoon</i> ,	Mr. <i>Condict</i> .

On Motion of Mr. *Condict*, seconded by Mr. *Witherspoon*, that the following Question be taken, Whether the Facts set forth in the said Petitions, if ascertained by Evidence, would be sufficient to set aside the Election or not? It was thereupon moved by Mr. *Cooper*, that the following Question be taken, *to wit*, Whether the above Question be in Order or not? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.	Nay.
Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Tallman</i> ,	Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .
Mr. <i>Witherspoon</i> ,	Mr. <i>Condict</i> .	Mr. <i>Cooper</i> ,	

On Motion of Mr. *Caldwell*, seconded by Mr. *Symmes*, that the following Amendment be made to the main Question, to come in after the Word *Evidence*, viz. "in the fullest Manner and with the greatest supposable Aggravations:" on the Question on the Amendment, it was carried in the Negative:

Yeas.	Yea.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .	Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Tallman</i> ,
Mr. <i>Cooper</i> ,		Mr. <i>Witherspoon</i> ,	Mr. <i>Condict</i> .

The Question was then taken on the Motion made by Mr. *Condict*, and the Yeas and Nays being called for, are as follows:

Yeas.	Yea.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .	Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Tallman</i> ,
Mr. <i>Cooper</i> ,		Mr. <i>Witherspoon</i> ,	Mr. <i>Condict</i> .

Therefore it is ordered, that the said Petition be dismissed.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Winds* and Mr. *Ewing*, in the Words following:

*Ordered*,

THAT Mr. *Fenimore*, Mr. *Van-Cleve*, Mr. *Ewing*, Mr. *Marsh* and Mr. *Congleton*, or any three of them, be a Committee for the present Session, to join a Committee of the Council, on such publick Accounts as may be referred to them during the Sitting of the Legislature; that the said Committee settle and report all Accounts for the Payment of which, when settled, Provision is already made by Law, and that they deliver all others to the Committee of this House appointed to bring in a Bill for defraying sundry Incidental Charges.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Winds* and Mr. *Ewing* do wait on the Council, and desire them to appoint a Committee to join a Committee of this House for the above Purpose.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Hoagland* and Mr. *Lindly*, in the Words following :

‘ **W**HEREAS Application has been made by a Number of Inhabitants of the County of *Monmouth*, in the Absence of the principal Officers on Command in the said County, for a Supply of Ammunition, on an expected Invasion ; Therefore,

‘ *Resolved*, That *Elias Woodruff*, Esq. Keeper of the Magazines at *Princeton*, be authorized and empowered to deliver out to the Order of *Nathaniel Scudder*, Esq. eight thousand Cartridges and one thousand Flints, for the Use of the Militia of the County of *Monmouth*, and of the Detachment of the State Regiment there stationed, to be delivered to Colonel *Holmes*, or to the Commanding Officer of the Militia in said County, to be by him divided between the Commanding Officers of the different Regiments of Militia in said County and the Commanding Officer of the said Detachment, in Proportion to the Number of Men under their Commands respectively ; and that the Receipt of the said *Nathaniel Scudder*, endorsed on the said Order, shall be a sufficient Voucher to the said *Elias Woodruff*, for the Delivery of the said Ammunition.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Hoagland* and Mr. *Lindly* do carry the above Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Council having taken into Consideration the foregoing Message,

*Resolved*, That the House concur in the Resolution therein contained.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lawrence* wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Lawrence* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

His Excellency *William Livingston*, Esquire, came into Council, and took the Oaths of Abjuration and Allegiance, and also the Oath of Office as Governor of this State, and thereupon took the Chair as President of the Council.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Mayhew* and Mr. *Freeman* :

‘ *Ordered*,

‘ **T**HAT Mr. *Scudder*, Mr. *Sexton*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Ewing* and Mr. *G. Ogden*, or any three of them, be a Committee to join a Committee of the Council to settle the Accounts of the Treasurer, and that Mr. *Mayhew* and Mr. *Freeman* do wait on the Council, and request them to appoint a Committee to join the Committee of this House for that Purpose.’

The House adjourned till Nine o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Thursday, November 2, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Tallman* and Mr. *Lawrence*, or either of them, be a Committee to join a Committee of the House of Assembly, to settle the Accounts of the Treasurer, and that Mr. *Witherspoon* wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Symmes* and Mr. *Manning*, or either of them, be a Committee for the present Session, to join a Committee of the House of Assembly on such publick Accounts as may be referred to them during the Sitting of the Legislature, &c. and that Mr. *Witherspoon* wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Sexton* and Mr. *Hughes*, in the Words following :

‘ *Resolved*,

‘ **T**HAT the Treasurer of the State for the Time being be authorized and directed to pay into the Hands of *James M’Comb*, Esq. Clothier of this State, the Sum of *Five Hundred Dollars*, for the Use of his Department, he to be accountable ; and the Receipt of the said *James M’Comb* shall be a sufficient Voucher to the Treasurer for so much of the publick Money in the Settlement of his Accounts.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Sexton* and Mr. *Hughes* do wait on the Council, and request their Concurrence in the above Resolution.’

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Witherspoon* wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that this House have referred the two Letters from the President of Congress, and the Letters from Commissary-General *Blaine* and his Deputy, on the Subject of Supplies of Provisions,

&c.



&c. to the Committee of Conference appointed on the Letter from Quartermaster-General *Pickering*, and that it is the Desire of this House that the said Committee meet at Three o'Clock this Afternoon, with which they request the Concurrence of the House of Assembly.

Mr. *Witherspoon* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Henderson* and Mr. *Kirkpatrick*, in the Words following :

‘ *Ordered*,  
‘ **T**HAT Mr. *Henderson* and Mr. *Kirkpatrick* do wait on the Council, and inform them  
‘ that this House concur in the Message of this Day respecting the Meeting of the  
‘ Committee of Conference, and the Reference therein mentioned, and request that the said  
‘ Committee may meet at the House of Mr. *Bergen*.’

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met—Present as before.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Nine o'Clock, in order that the Members may attend the Committee of Conference with the House of Assembly.

*Friday, November 3, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

The Conference not having finished their Business, the House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met—Present as before.

The Conference not having yet finished their Business, the House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Nine o'Clock.

*Saturday, November 4, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *Caldwell* has Leave of Absence till *Thursday* next, upon urgent Business.

Mr. *Tallman* has Leave of Absence till *Wednesday* next.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Fenimore* and Mr. *G. Ogden*, in the Words following :

‘ *Resolved*,  
‘ **T**HAT the Governor or Commander in Chief of the State for the Time being, be  
‘ authorized and empowered to engage a Horseman to carry Dispatches of a publick  
‘ and urgent Nature, to be continued in that Service until ten Days after the first Meet-  
‘ ing of the next Legislature, unless sooner discharged, and who, while so employed, shall  
‘ be entitled to receive from any of the Paymasters of the Militia, such Sum in Lieu of  
‘ Bounty, Pay and Rations, as shall be certified under the Hand of the Governor or Com-  
‘ mander in Chief, to be due to him for that Service ; and that His Excellency be further  
‘ authorized on any particular Occasion when Necessity requires, to employ another Horse-  
‘ man for the same Service, to be paid in like Manner.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Fenimore* and Mr. *G. Ogden* do carry the said Resolution to the  
‘ Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

Mr. *Condit*, from the Committee appointed to join a Committee of the House of Assembly in a free Conference on the Subject-Matter contained in Quartermaster-General *Pickering*'s Letter, and also the two Letters from the President of Congress, and the Letters from Commissary-General *Blaine*, on the Subject of Supplies of Provisions, &c. reported, that he was ready to make further Report when the House would be pleased to receive the same ;

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made immediately :

Whereupon Mr. *Condit* read the said Report in his Place, and delivered it in at the Table, which is as follows :

**Y**OUR Committee appointed to confer with a Committee of the House of Assembly on the Subject-Matter of Col. *Blaine*'s Letter, &c. beg Leave to report, that it is the Opinion of the Conference,

*First,*

*First*, That the Clause in the Act for establishing a Fund for sinking and redeeming the Proportion of the Bills of Credit of the United States, assigned as the Quota of this State, which fixes the comparative Value of the Continental Currency, with respect to the new Emission, be repealed, and that the Continental Money be receivable in Payment of Taxes, at the current Exchange of the same for Gold and Silver.

*Second*, That a Committee be appointed to ascertain the Rate of Exchange monthly, to regulate the Conduct of the Treasurer and the several Collectors.

*Third*, That the Debts contracted in this State under the Authority of the United States, be settled, as well those for which Certificates are already given, as others, agreeably to the Resolution of Congress of the 25th of *February* and the 26th of *August* last, and other Certificates given in Specie Value, which shall be so received in the Payment of all Taxes and Debts due to the Publick, and that they be transferable.

*Fourth*, That the Legislature apply immediately to Congress to obtain their Permission for this State to receive its Proportion of the new Money in Exchange for the Certificates which shall be brought into the Treasury in Discharge of Taxes and publick Debts, for Supplies furnished the Army.

*Fifth*, That a Committee be appointed to make Enquiry whether Contracts can be made by the State with Individuals or Companies for furnishing Supplies to the Army.

*Sixth*, That the Laws for procuring Provisions and other Supplies for the Use of the Army, be revised and amended.

*By Order of the Conference,*

SILAS CONDUCT,  
NATHL. SCUDDER.

The House adjourned till *Monday* Three o'Clock, *P. M.*

*Monday, November 6, 1780.*

The House met.

P R E S E N T,

His Excellency the GOVERNOR,

Mr. WITHERSPOON, Mr. COOPER, Mr. MANNING.

Mr. SYMMES, Mr. CONDUCT,

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Nine o'Clock.

*Tuesday, November 7, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before, and the Vice-President and Mr. *Lawrence*.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Sparks* and Mr. *Lambert*, in the Words following :

*Resolved*,

THAT His Excellency the Governor be requested to write to His Excellency General *Washington*, and assure him that the Legislature of this State are most sincerely disposed to exert their utmost Efforts for drawing forth all the Supplies this State can furnish for the Army under his Command ; but at the same Time to inform His Excellency the General, that from the Drought of the last Summer, and the large Supplies already furnished, Hay and other Forage are so scarce that it will be necessary to send out of this State as early this Season as convenient, every Horse that can possibly be spared from the Army, and that it will be equally necessary to call upon the neighbouring States to fill the Magazines upon the Borders of this State, that the Forage near them may be sent on towards the Army.

*Resolved*, That His Excellency the Governor be also further requested to consult His Excellency the General or Commander in Chief of the Army, on the Subject of guarding the Frontiers of this State during the ensuing Winter, and to learn whether any Part of the Forces under his Command can consistently with the Plan of Operations laid down by His Excellency, be employed in that Service, and what Part of the Frontiers of this State may depend on the Protection to be derived therefrom.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Sparks* and Mr. *Lambert* do carry the said Resolutions to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Ewing* and Mr. *Congleton*, in the Words following :

‘ *Ordered*,  
‘ **T**HAT Mr. *Ewing* and Mr. *Congleton* do carry the transcribed Copy of the Letter  
‘ addressed to the Farmers and other Inhabitants of the State of *New-Jersey* to the  
‘ Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

‘The House adjourned till Three o’Clock, *P. M.*

‘The House met—Present as before.

‘The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Nine o’Clock.

*Wednesday, November 8, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

The Council took into Consideration the Message from the House of Assembly of the second Instant, by Mr. *Sexton* and Mr. *Hughes*, relative to the Clothier of the State drawing a Sum of Money from the Treasury ; whereupon,

*Resolved*, That the House concur in the Resolution therein contained.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Witherspoon* wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Witherspoon* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock, *P. M.*

The House met—Present as before.

A Remonstrance from *Azariah Dunham*, Esquire, late Assistant-Commissary of Purchases, setting forth, that he himself and his Assistants were much embarrassed for Want of Monies to discharge the Debts for which they stand charged for Contracts made in procuring Supplies for the Army, and that one of his Assistants in the County of *Middlex* hath already been prosecuted on such Contract, against whom Judgment hath already been given, and praying Relief, was read, and ordered to be sent to the House of Assembly.

The House took into Consideration the Report of the Committee of Conference made to the House on the first Day of *November* Instant, to which Report the House agreed, except in the fourth Clause thereof, which recommends a Committee being appointed to confer with His Excellency General *Washington*, in which Particular the House agree that His Excellency the Governor be requested to write to the Commander in Chief of the Army for the Purposes therein expressed.

The House took into Consideration the Report of the Committee of Conference made to the House on the fourth of this Instant, to which Report the House agreed.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Witherspoon* be appointed to prepare a Draught of a Memorial and Representation to Congress, pursuant to the Report of the Committee of Conference of the 4th Instant.

‘The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Nine o’Clock.

*Thursday, November 9, 1780.*

The House met.

P R E S E N T,

His Excellency the GOVERNOR,

Mr. STEVENS,	Mr. WITHERSPOON,	Mr. MANNING,
Mr. COOPER,	Mr. SYMMES,	Mr. LAWRENCE.

Mr. *Condict* being prevented by Sickness from Attendance, and there not being a sufficient Number of Members to make a House without him,

Adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met—Present as before, and Mr. *Condict*.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

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*Friday,*

*Friday, November 10, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before, except Mr. *Condit*, who is still indisposed.

Adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met—Present as before.

The House adjourned till Ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Saturday, November 11, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

The House adjourned till *Monday* Afternoon Three o'Clock.

*Monday, November 13, 1780.*

The House met.

P R E S E N T,

His Excellency the GOVERNOR,

Mr. STEVENS,	Mr. SYMMES,	Mr. TALLMAN.
Mr. COOPER,	Mr. MANNING,	
Mr. WITHERSPOON,	Mr. LAWRENCE,	

The House adjourned till Ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Tuesday, November 14, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before, and Mr. *Caldwell*.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *Lindsly* and Mr. *S. Ogden*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ' An Act to continue an Act, intituled, An Act to alter the Place of holding the Supreme Court of Judicature of this State, and to ascertain the Times for holding the same ; and also to alter and ascertain the Times of holding the Inferior Court of Common-Pleas and Court of General Quarter-Sessions of the Peace, for the County of *Hunterdon*,' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Council having taken in Consideration the Message from the House of Assembly of the 4th Instant, relative to requesting the Governor to write to His Excellency General *Washington* upon the Subject of Supplies, and also on the Subject of guarding the Frontiers of this State the ensuing Winter.

*Resolved*, That the House concur in the Resolution therein contained.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Tallman* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Tallman* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that this House do not concur in the Letter addressed to the Farmers and other Inhabitants of the State of *New-Jersey*.

Mr. *Tallman* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Nine o'Clock.

*Wednesday, November 15, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *Hughes* and Mr. *Trent*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ' An Act to amend an Act for establishing a Fund for sinking and redeeming the Proportion of the Bills of Credit of the United States, assigned as the Quota of this State ;' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Hughes* and Mr. *Trent*, in the Words following :  
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‘THE Auditor of Accounts appeared before the House, and reported the Account of *Matthias Baker*, appointed one of the Commissioners for taking Charge of, and settling the Personal Estates of certain Fugitives of said County, in a Law passed *June 11, 1777*, as follows :

Dr. <i>Matthias Baker</i> , Esquire, in Account with the State of <i>New-Jersey</i> , CR.		
	1777.	
	By Cash paid sundry Persons for Services, £.	24
	By Books taken for the Use of the Army,	
	by <i>Dr. Gutheart</i> ,	6 19
	By Cash paid to sundry Persons for Debts due to them from several of the Fugitives,	13 12 4
	By Expences and Commissions,	137 12
	By balance paid into the Treasury, <i>September 23, 1780</i> ,	1487 18
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Sept. 1777.	To the Amount of the Sales of Effects of sundry Persons forfeited to the State,	£. 1669 11 4

‘Resolved, That the House do allow the Account above stated.  
 ‘Ordered, That Mr. *Hughes* and Mr. *Trent* do carry the same to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to continue an Act, intituled, An Act to alter the Place of holding the Supreme Court of Judicature of this State, and to ascertain the Times for holding the same ; and also to ascertain the Times for holding the Interior Court of Common-Pleas and Court of General Quarter-Sessions of the Peace, for the County of *Hunterdon*,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for procuring to *Thomas Marshall* a Title for certain Lands in the County of *Gloucester*, purchased by his Father *Ranaal Marshall*, deceased, of *John Hinchman*, now a Fugitive with the Enemy,’ was read a second Time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Governor withdrew.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to continue an Act, intituled, An Act to alter the Place of holding the Supreme Court of Judicature of this State, and to ascertain the Times for holding the same ; and also to alter and ascertain the Times of holding the Interior Court of Common Pleas and Court of General Quarter-Sessions of the Peace, for the County of *Hunterdon*,’ was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Caldwell* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for procuring to *Thomas Marshall* a Title for certain Lands in the County of *Gloucester*, purchased by his Father *Randal Marshall*, deceased, of *John Hinchman*, now a Fugitive with the Enemy,’ was read and compared ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Caldwell* do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. *Caldwell* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act for establishing a Fund for sinking and redeeming the Proportion of the Bills of Credit of the United States, assigned as the Quota of this State,’ was read a second Time, debated, and the further Consideration thereof postponed till To-morrow.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Nine o’Clock.

Thursday, November 16, 1780.

The House met—Present as before.

The Governor came into Council.

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*Jonathan Elmer*, Esquire, produced a Certificate of his being duly elected to represent the County of *Cumberland* in the Council of this State, which being read and approved, he took and subscribed the Oaths required by Law, before the Honourable *John Stevens*, Esq. Vice-President, and took his Seat in Council.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, 'An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act for establishing a Fund for sinking and redeeming the Proportion of the Bills of Credit of the United States, assigned as the Quota of this State;' and, after some Time spent thereon, was ordered to be read a third Time.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Nine o'Clock.

*Friday, November 17, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before, except the Governor.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act for establishing a Fund for sinking and redeeming the Proportion of the Bills of Credit of the United States, assigned as the Quota of this State,' was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the Vice-President do sign the same,

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Elmer* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House.

Mr. *Elmer* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. *Congleton* and Mr. *Kay*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, 'An Act for the more easy and effectual Procurement of Supplies for the Army of the United States;' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned till Ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Saturday, November 18, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *Symmes* has Leave of Absence to attend the Supreme Court.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act for the more easy and effectual Procurement of Supplies for the Army of the United States,' was read a second Time, and committed to Mr. *Witherspoon* and Mr. *Elmer*.

Mr. *Witherspoon*, agreeably to Order, reported a Draught of a Memorial and Representation of the Legislature of the State of *New-Jersey* to the Congress of the United States; which Draught being read, was approved of by the House, and is as follows:

*To the UNITED STATES in CONGRESS assembled.*

The MEMORIAL and REPRESENTATION of the LEGISLATURE of the State of  
*New-Jersey,*

*Sheweth,*

THAT the Legislature of this State, ready at all Times to accede to any Measures that may be thought to be of general Utility, did pass a Law in Compliance with the Resolutions of Congress of the 18th Day of *March* last, by which the Treasurer of this State was directed to exchange *One Dollar* of the Money ordered to be issued on the Credit of this State, for *Forty Dollars* of the Continental Currency, and to receive the said New Money in the Payment of Taxes in the like Proportion, had the relative Value of the Continental Currency to Gold and Silver remained the same, which we suppose to have been the Expectation

peccation of Congress, there would have been no Necessity for an Alteration of the Law of this State; but the Continental Currency being now depreciated as low as eighty or ninety for one, the Legislature, sensible of the great Loss the Publick must sustain by having the new Money sent out under such evident Disadvantages, have thought proper to repeal that Part of the Law which fixes a proportional Value between the new Money aforesaid, and the Continental Currency, in order thereby to establish the Value of the said new Money equal to that of Specie. The Propriety of this Measure we doubt not has already occurred to Congress, but as there is a Necessity that there should be an Uniformity in the Value of the Money issued by the several States, we would beg Leave to suggest to Congress the Propriety of recommending this Measure to the Consideration of the other States in the Union.

The Legislature would further represent that the Inhabitants of this State have, from Time to Time with the greatest Readiness, furnished the Army of the United States with such Articles of Supply as have been in their Power, in Payment for which they have received little else than Certificates; and as chief Part of the Inhabitants of this State are Farmers, and depend upon the Sale of their Produce for Money, and the Mode of giving Certificates effectually putting it out of the Power of a great Part of the People to pay their Taxes unless in Certificates; this being the Case but little Continental Money will be brought into the Treasury, and this State in consequence has but little Prospect in the Mode prescribed by Congress of drawing out its Proportion of the new Money, or the People of receiving what is and may become justly due to them from the Publick; we wish Congress to take this Matter into Consideration, and to devise some Means either by paying the People their just Debts from the Continental Treasury, or by enabling this State to receive its Proportion of the new Money in Exchange for the Certificates which may be brought into the Treasury by Taxes, by which we might be enabled to satisfy the just Demands of the People on Account of present Debts, and procure Supplies more readily on future Requisitions.

The Legislature would further represent, that notwithstanding the extraordinary Exertions of the Inhabitants of this State in furnishing Supplies; notwithstanding they have reduced their own Stores to a very scanty Allowance for themselves and their domestick Dependants; yet such is the Situation of *New-Jersey*, that on every Want of the Army, from what Cause soever it may arise, she is first called upon to furnish a Supply, and her Inhabitants are often obliged to see their Provisions and Forage impressed and taken from them by Force, whilst their Families and Cattle are reduced to absolute Want. Perhaps such a Measure may be justifiable in the Commander in Chief, as the Comfort and Health of his Soldiery are, and ought to be, the principal Objects of his Care; but it is owing to a Defect somewhere: We would then in Justice to our Constituents, earnestly request that Congress would take the Premises under their Consideration, and by requiring other States to forward their full Proportion of Supplies, relieve this State from a Burden which will otherwise in a little Time become insupportable.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lawrence* do carry the transcribed Copy of the foregoing Memorial and Representation to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. *Lawrence* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till *Monday* Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

*Monday, November 20, 1780.*

The House met.

P R E S E N T,

His Excellency the GOVERNOR,

MR. STEVENS, MR. WITHERSPOON, MR. COOPER.

MR. MANNING, MR. ELMER,

MR. CALDWELL, MR. SYMMES,

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Marsh* and Mr. *Blanch*, in the Words following:

*Ordered*,

‘ **T**HAT Mr. *Marsh* and Mr. *Blanch* do wait on the Council, and inform them that the Memorial and Representation of the Legislature of the State of *New-Jersey*, to the United States in Congress assembled, is agreed to by this House.’

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o'Clock.

*Tuesday, November 21, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Walling* and Mr. *Kennedy*, in the Words following:

*Resolved,*  
**T**HAT the Treasurer of the State for the Time being be authorized and empowered to pay to *Ephraim Blaine*, Esquire, Commissary-General of Purchases, or his Order, the Sum of *One Hundred and Forty-nine Dollars* in the Bills of Credit issued on the Faith of this State, on a Warrant in Favour of the said *Ephraim Blaine*, drawn by the President of Congress, bearing Date the 15th Day of *November* Inst. and the Receipt of the said Colonel *Ephraim Blaine*, or Person to whom the said Warrant is made payable endorsed thereon, shall be a sufficient Voucher to the Treasurer for so much of the publick Money in the Settlement of his Accounts.

*Ordered,* That Mr. *Walling* and Mr. *Kennedy* do carry the above Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Whereas the Honourable the Congress have, upon a Report from the Board of Admiralty, setting forth several Inconveniencies resulting from the Abuse the *British* make of Papers or Clearances they take in *American* Prizes, recommended to the several States, by a Resolution of the tenth Instant, a certain Mode to prevent such Abuse in Future; therefore,

*Resolved,* That the several Naval Officers for the Time being, or who may hereafter be appointed within this State, are hereby authorized and directed, where Commissions of Letters of Marque and Reprisal are granted to armed Vessels going on mercantile Voyages, to require the Master and his chief Mate to undersign their Clearances in their Presence; and are also required and directed to insert on the Back of the Clearances a minute Description of the Persons of the Master and his Mate, with their Age, Stature, Complexion, &c. respectively, and to certify the same under their Signature and Seal of Office.

*Ordered,* That Mr. *Manning* do carry the above Resolution to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. *Manning* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. *Caldwell*, with Leave of the House, brought in a Bill, intituled, 'An Act more effectually to prevent the Inhabitants of this State from Trading with the Enemy, or going within their Lines, and for other Purposes therein mentioned;' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned till Ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Wednesday, November 22, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

*Ordered,* That *Daniel Ballerjeau* wait on the Honourable *Peter Tallman* and *Elisba Lawrence*, Esquires, and require their Attendance in Council without Delay, and that the Expence attending the Serving of this Order be paid by them.

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of the County of *Middlesex*, setting forth the present distressed State of our Finances, and also the illicit Trade carried on with the Enemy, and recommending several other Matters to the Consideration of the Legislature, and praying their Interposition, was read, and sent to the House of Assembly.

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of the Township of *Newark*, in the County of *Effex*, setting forth the evil Tendency of the illicit Trade at present carried on with the Enemy, and praying the Interposition of the Legislature, was read, and sent to the House of Assembly.

Another Petition from the County of *Effex*, praying that the Law respecting the Removal of the Disaffected from the Lines may be amended, and also that the Time for holding the Courts



Courts of General Quarter Sessions in that County may be lengthened, was read, and sent to the House of Assembly.

The House adjourned till three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Freeman* and Mr. *G. Ogden*, in the Words following :

‘ *Resolved*,  
‘ **T**HAT the Treasurer of this State, for the Time being, be authorized and required  
‘ to pay on Account of the Superintendant of Purchases of this State the following  
‘ Sums, *that it to say*, to *Melancthon Freeman*, Esq. the Sum of *Seventy-five Pounds* in the  
‘ Bills of Credit issued on the Faith of this State, to be lodged in the Hands of *Abraham*  
‘ *Schuyler*, Contractor of the County of *Middlesex*, for the Purchase of Cattle or Beef for  
‘ the Use of the Detachment of Troops under the Command of Maj. *John Mauritius Gotschius*,  
‘ to be immediately forwarded on to the said Major *Gotschius*, whose Receipt, or that of the  
‘ Quartermaster by him appointed, shall be a sufficient Voucher to the said *Abraham Schuy-*  
‘ *ler* for the Delivery : and to *Isaac Blanch*, Esquire, the Sum of *Seventy-five Pounds*, Mo-  
‘ ney aforesaid, to be by him lodged in the Hands of *Cornelius Haring*, Esquire, Contractor  
‘ for the County of *Bergen*, to be disposed of for the Purchase of Flour for the Use of the  
‘ said Detachment : that the Treasurer charge the said Sums so drawn to the Superintendant  
‘ of Purchases of this State, taking the Receipts from the Persons respectively, to whom  
‘ the same are hereby directed to be paid, or from the before-mentioned Contractors, which  
‘ shall be sufficient Vouchers to the said Treasurer in the Settlement of his Accounts, for  
‘ so much of the Publick Money.

‘ *Resolved*, That the said *Melancthon Freeman* and *Isaac Blanch* do take Receipts on Ac-  
‘ count of the Treasurer of the State, from the Contractors respectively, to whom the Sums  
‘ to be drawn agreeably to the foregoing Resolutions are to be delivered, and exchange  
‘ the same with the said Treasurer as soon as may be, for those which they shall deliver to  
‘ him upon the Receipt of the Sums aforesaid.

‘ *Resolved*, That a Copy of these Resolutions be transmitted to the said Contractors, and  
‘ to the Superintendant of Purchases of this State, and that the said Superintendant charge  
‘ the said Contractors respectively with the Sums above directed to be drawn.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Freeman* and Mr. *G. Ogden* do carry the aforesaid Resolutions to the  
‘ Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Council having taken the foregoing Message into Consideration,

*Resolved*, That the House concur in the Resolutions therein contained.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Caldwell* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them there-  
with.

Mr. *Caldwell* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Kirkpatrick* and Mr. *Bunn*, in the follow-  
ing Words :

‘ **T**HE House having taken into Consideration the Message and Resolution from the  
‘ Council of Yesterday, relative to requiring the Master and his chief Mate of Let-  
‘ ters of Marque and Repisal, to undersign their Clearances in the Presence of the Naval  
‘ Officers, &c.

‘ *Resolved*, That the House concur in the Resolutions therein contained.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Kirkpatrick* and Mr. *Bunn* do wait on the Council, and acquaint  
‘ them therewith.’

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o'Clock.

*Thursday, November 23, 1780.*

The House met.

P R E S E N T,

His Excellency the GOVERNOR,

Mr. STEVENS,	Mr. WITHERSPOON,	Mr. SYMMES,
Mr. ELMER,	Mr. CALDWELL,	Mr. TALLMAN,
Mr. LAWRENCE,	Mr. MANNING,	Mr. COOPER,

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Scabrook* and Mr. *Lambert*, in the Words  
following :

‘ *Resolved*,

‘ *Resolved*,  
 ‘ **T**HAT *Izacc Collins*, Printer, be directed to strike off immediately 375 Copies of  
 ‘ the Act, intituled, “ An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act for establishing a  
 ‘ Fund for sinking and redeeming the Proportion of the Bills of Credit of the United  
 ‘ States, assigned as the Quota of this State,” to be distributed to the several Counties in  
 ‘ the same Proportion as the Laws are directed to be distributed.  
 ‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Scabrook* and Mr. *Lambert* do carry the foregoing Resolution to the  
 ‘ Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Council having taken the foregoing Message into Consideration,  
*Resolved*, That the House concur in the Resolution therein contained.  
*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cooper* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them there-  
 with.

Mr. *Cooper* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House withdrew to attend a Joint-Meeting; after some Time the House returned,  
 and adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o’Clock.

*Friday, November 24, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

The Honourable *John Witherspoon* having been chosen by the Council and Assembly as  
 a Delegate to represent this State in the Continental Congress, whereby his Seat in this  
 House is vacated,

*Resolved*, That the President issue his Order to the Sheriff of the County of *Somerset*,  
 for a new Election of a Member to represent the said County of *Somerset* in this House.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o’Clock.

*Saturday, November 25, 1780.*

The House met.

P R E S E N T,  
 His Excellency the GOVERNOR,

Mr. STEVENS,	Mr. CALDWELL,	Mr. TALLMAN,
Mr. ELMER,	Mr. MANNING,	Mr. COOPER.
Mr. LAWRENCE,	Mr. SYMMES,	

Mr. *Hughes* and Mr. *Lindfly*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for  
 their Concurrence, the following Representation to the United States in Congress assembled.

‘ *To the UNITED STATES in CONGRESS assembled.*

‘ The LEGISLATURE of the State of *New-Jersey* respectfully represent,

‘ **T**HAT in Consequence of repeated and extraordinary Exertions in Behalf of the Union,  
 ‘ the Treasury of this State is exhausted :

‘ That to enable them to comply with present and future Requisitions of Congress, and at  
 ‘ the same Time effectually to provide for their own Security, large Sums of Money are ef-  
 ‘ fentially and immediately necessary :

‘ That an immense Debt is due from the United States to the Citizens of this State for  
 ‘ past Supplies furnished to the Continental Army, for which they only possess Certificates  
 ‘ from the publick Purchasers, the Payment of which they deem a distant, and many of  
 ‘ them a doubtful Event :

‘ That from this Cause almost every Effort for procuring further Supplies at this critical  
 ‘ and dangerous Period, as well as for drawing Money into the Treasury by Taxes, is ren-  
 ‘ dered

‘ dered utterly abortive, infomuch that the only Condition of profiting by the new Emission of Bills of Credit is almost totally unattainable :

‘ That unless therefore some instantaneous and operative Measures can be adopted to prevent it, there is the strongest Reason (amounting almost to a moral Certainty) to expect, that in a very few Weeks the State will in a great Measure be drained, not only of those abundant Supplies which have so often and so beneficially for the Union, snatched the Continental Army from impending Ruin, but even of such as are really necessary to the comfortable Subsistence of its own Inhabitants ; and what makes this Circumstance more poignantly distressing is, that the Enemy will derive the Advantage of these very Supplies so essentially necessary to the Interests of the Union :

‘ That great Numbers of the most patriotick Citizens of this State are now suffering the Severities of Military Impressments, which is the Mode at present of collecting Forage and Provisions for the Use of the Army in this State, an Evil that must increase and extend, unless the Means of procuring Forage and Provisions by Consent, and from the more distant Parts of the State, be immediately put in the Power of this Legislature ; and they can see no present Resource, but in some extraordinary Indulgence of Congress.

‘ They therefore earnestly entreat your Honourable Body, immediately to take into your most serious Consideration the present alarming Circumstances of this State, and to determine whether it be not better to make such Exceptions in their Favour as may enable them to defend their own Borders, to cut off that Communication by which the common Enemy derive amazing Supplies of every Kind, to furnish their Quota of Men and Provisions for the Continental Army in due Season, and to insure those remaining Resources, which on some future and trying Occasion, may again redeem it from threatened Destruction.

‘ To effect these Purposes so essential to the Weal of *New-Jersey*, and of the United States in general, they ardently beseech Congress to grant them the unconditional and unrestrained Privilege of receiving into their Treasury, and of appropriating at least one Half of the whole Quota of the Bills of Credit directed to be emitted in this State, in Pursuance of the Resolutions of Congress of the eighteenth Day of *March* last, as being the only possible Means they can at present devise to redeem this State and the Continental Army from the most imminent Distress.

‘ Congress may perhaps be surprized at the so frequently repeated Applications from the Legislature of this State to them on Money Matters, and may conceive them chargeable with Instability and Inconstancy of Conduct, but the pressing Calls of the People for Relief, occasioned by the alarming Rapidity, the quick Succession, and the instant Pressure of threatening Circumstances, together with a strong and effecting Presumption of their speedy and dreadful Increase must apologize.

‘ We would only further beg Leave to observe, that unless some instant Relief should be afforded to this State by a Compliance with the Prayer of this Representation, we have the most gloomy Prospects of Ruin before us, without the least apparent Means in any other Line of preventing or avoiding it.’

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Hughes* and Mr. *Lindley*, in the Words following :

‘ **W**HEREAS the Frontiers of *Effex* and *Middlesex* Counties are now almost totally destitute of Guards, and very much exposed to the daily Incursions of the Enemy, and from sundry Circumstances the Emergency is too urgent to admit the Delay of passing a Law in due Form to enlist and embody Troops ; therefore,

‘ *Resolved*, That His Excellency the Governor be authorized and requested to direct Lieutenant Colonel *Jacob Crane*, of the County of *Effex*, to procure any Number of Men not exceeding one hundred Infantry, either by Classes from Colonel *Jacques*’s Regiment, and by Application to the said Colonel *Jacques* for that Purpose, or by voluntary Enlistment ; and eight Horsemen to be called out of Captain *Samuel Meeker*’s Company of Light-Horse, and by Application to him to be stationed as Guards from *Rahway* River to *Bound-Creek*, in the said County, under the Command of one Captain, two Lieutenants and two Ensigns, the Whole to be commanded by the said Lieutenant-Colonel *Jacob Crane*, with the Pay hereafter allowed to a Captain, if he shall consent to accept the same ; and that His Excellency the Governor be also authorized and requested to direct Captain *Nathaniel Camp*, of *Newark*, in the said County of *Effex*, to procure any Number of Men not exceeding seventy-five Infantry, either by Classes out of Colonel *Van-Cortland*’s Regiment, and by Application to the said Colonel *Van-Cortland*, or by voluntary Enlistment ; and

‘ fix Horsemen to be called out of Captain *Samuel Meeker’s* Company aforesaid, to be stationed as Guards from *Bound-Creek* to *Second-River*, in the said County, under the Command of one Lieutenant and one Ensign, and the Whole to be commanded by the said Captain *Nathaniel Camp*; and that His Excellency be further authorized and requested to direct Colonel *Webster*, of the County of *Middlesex*, to call out by Classes under the Command of one Lieutenant and one Ensign, any Number of Men not exceeding fifty, to act in Conjunction with the State Troops under, and to be subject to the Command of Captain *Freeman*; and also to direct Colonel *Scudder* and Lieutenant-Colonel *Taylor* to call out either by Classes out of their own Regiments according to the Proportion of Men in each, or by voluntary Enlistments, any Number of Men not exceeding forty Infantry, to be commanded by one Captain and one Subaltern, and stationed in the Southward of *Amboy*, and to be joined by five Horsemen to be called out of Captain *Carle’s* Company of Light-Horse, in the County of *Hunterdon*, and that the Guards so called out or enlisted, be stationed in such a Manner as to afford the most essential Security to the Inhabitants, and as may conduce most effectually to prevent the illicit Trade with the Enemy.

‘ *Resolved*, That the Officers, non-commissioned Officers and Privates directed to be called out or enlisted as aforesaid, shall continue in Service for the Space of one Month, unless sooner discharged, and shall be entitled to receive for their Service at the Rates following per Day, *viz.* a Captain *Seven Shillings and Six-pence*, a Lieutenant *Six Shillings*, an Ensign *Five Shillings*, a Horseman *Four Shillings* for the Service of himself and Horse, a Sergeant *Three Shilling and Six-pence*, a Corporal *Three Shillings and Three-pence*, and a Private *Three Shillings*, to be paid in the lawful Money of the State, by the Paymaster of the Counties of *Essex* and *Middlesex*, on Payrolls for the same being to him exhibited, properly certified and authenticated.

‘ *Resolved*, That the Officers, non-commissioned Officers and Privates who shall be so called out or enlisted, shall be entitled to receive one Ration per Day; and each Horseman called out as aforesaid, shall be entitled to receive one Ration for himself and one Ration of Forage for his Horse per Day, to be furnished by the Contractors of the Counties wherein they are stationed, and in case Rations cannot regularly be drawn, the Deficiency shall be paid for at the Rate of *One Shilling and Three-pence* per Ration, by the Paymaster of the Militia aforesaid, on Payrolls properly certified and authenticated.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Hughes* and Mr. *Lindfly* do carry the above Resolutions to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Council having taken the foregoing Message into Consideration,

*Resolved*, That the House concur in the Resolution therein contained.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Manning* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Manning* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

A Petition from *John Jarmin* and others, Children of *John Jarmin*, deceased, late of of the County of *Cumberland*, setting forth, that the said *John Jarmin*, deceased, did by his Last Will and Testament direct certain Lands to be sold, and the Monies arising therefrom to be equally divided amongst his said Children, and empowering *Mary Jarmin* and *Jacob Fries*, his Executors, to sell the said Lands, but that *Mary Jarmin* the acting Executrix died before the Sales, and that *Malachiah Jarmin*, the oldest Son of the said *John Jarmin*, refuses to comply with the said Will, &c. and praying Relief, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned till Monday Three o’Clock, P. M.

*Monday, November 27, 1780.*

The House met.

P R E S E N T,

His Excellency the GOVERNOR,

Mr. STEVENS,

Mr. SYMMES,

Mr. COOPER,

Mr. LAWRENCE,

Mr. ELMER,

Mr. TALLMAN.

Mr. CALDWELL,

Mr. MANNING,

Two Messages from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Freeman* and Mr. *Kennedy*, in the Words following :

‘ **W**HEREAS Information has been received that large Quantities of Provisions are collecting on and near the Lines, in the Townships of *Sprucebury* and *Middleton*, in the County of *Monmouth*, for the Purpose of supplying the Enemy of these United States, and that such Provision is daily conveyed from the said Lines to the Garrison at *New-York*, and to its Dependencies, and as the passing a Law to restrain and prevent this pernicious Practice, will take up more Time than the present Exigency can consistently admit of ; therefore,

‘ *Resolved*, That Major *Elisba Walton*, of the said County, be authorized and required immediately to call out any Number of Men not exceeding one hundred, with such Officers as he may judge necessary to command them, and to proceed with the same as speedily as possible to such Parts of the said County as are contiguous to the Enemy’s Lines, and to remove therefrom every Article of Provision and Supply that can be spared from the Necessities of the Inhabitants.

‘ *Resolved*, That the Contractor of the said County be required to accompany Major *Walton* to give proper Certificates, and to provide for the Transportation of all Articles of Provision and Supply so to be removed as aforesaid, and to take Charge of the same for the Use of the State.

‘ *Resolved*, That the Men so called out as aforesaid, be permitted to perform the Duties required of them by these Resolutions on Horseback, and that they shall be entitled to Pay and Rations in the Manner following, *viz.*

‘ For a Major	10s.	per Day	Ensign	5s.
‘ Captain	7/6		Private	3s.
‘ Lieutenant	6s.			

‘ and 1s. per Day for each Horse : that the Officers and Horsemen who shall be called out shall be entitled to receive one Ration per Day for themselves, and one Ration of Forage for each Horse whilst out on the Duty required of them by these Resolutions, to be furnished by the Contractors of the said County, and the said Officers and Men shall be paid in the lawful Money of this State, by the Paymaster of the Counties of *Monmouth* and *Burlington*, on Payrolls for the same being to him exhibited, properly certified and authenticated.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Freeman* and Mr. *Kennedy* do carry the above Resolutions to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

‘ The Speaker laid before the House a Letter from Captain *Ephraim Darby*, requesting that he may be permitted to present his Accounts for certain Articles of Subsistence by him purchased and furnished for the Use of the *New-Jersey* Brigade, by order of the Commanding Officer of the said Brigade, in the Interval between the Resignation of *Enos Kelsey*, Esquire, late Purchaser of Stores for the Troops of this State, in the Service of the United States, and the Appointment of *James McComb*, as his Successor in Office ; whereupon,

‘ *Resolved*, That the said Captain *Ephraim Darby* be directed to lay his Accounts before the Auditor of Accounts of this State, who is hereby requested to examine and adjust the same, and to lay them before the Legislature for their final Settlement.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Freeman* and Mr. *Kennedy* do carry the above Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Council having taken into Consideration the Representation to the United States in Congress assembled, sent to this House from the House of Assembly on the 25th Inst. for Concurrence.

*Resolved*, That the House disagree to the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lawrence* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Lawrence* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Tuesday, November 28, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

The Council having taken into Consideration the two Messages from the House of Assembly of Yesterday, one relative to directing Captain *Ephraim Darby* to lay his Accounts before the Auditor of Accounts of this State, &c. the other relative to authorizing Major  
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Walton to call out a Number of Men to remove Provisions and Supplies from Places contiguous to the Enemy's Lines, &c.

*Resolved*, That the House do not concur in the Resolutions therein contained,

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Tallman* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Tallman* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Hildreth* and Mr. *Ewing*, in the Words following :

*Resolved*,

**T**HAT it be recommended to the Officers of the *New-Jersey* Brigade, to appoint a certain Number from their own Body to attend the Legislature within the second Week of their next Sitting ; and to authorize the said Officers so to be appointed, in Conjunction with a Committee to be appointed by the Legislature, to adjust the Compensation to be allowed to the Officers, non-commissioned Officers and Privates of the said Brigade, for the Depreciation of their Pay, to the first Day of *August* last, that the same may be finally settled, and Provision made for the Liquidation and Payment thereof by the State ; and that a Copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the Commanding Officer of the said Brigade, as soon as possible.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Hildreth* and Mr. *Ewing* do carry the above Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intitled, ' An Act more effectually to prevent the Inhabitants of this State from trading with the Enemy, or going within their Lines, and for other Purposes therein mentioned ;' and, after some Time spent thereon, the further Consideration thereof was postponed.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o'Clock.

*Wednesday, November 29, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intitled, ' An Act more effectually to prevent the Inhabitants of this State from trading with the Enemy, or going within their Lines, and for other Purposes therein mentioned ;' and, after some Time spent thereon, the further Consideration thereof was postponed.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intitled, ' An Act more effectually to prevent the Inhabitants of this State from trading with the Enemy, &c. and, after some Time spent thereon, the further Consideration thereof was postponed.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Kay* and Mr. *Walling*, in the Words following :

**W**HEREAS it is necessary that *James M<sup>c</sup>Comb*, Esquire, Clothier and Purchaser of Stores for the Troops of this State, should be immediately furnished with a further Sum of Money, to enable him to fulfil the Purposes of his Appointment.

*Resolved*, That the said *James M<sup>c</sup>Comb* be authorized and empowered to draw from the Treasury the Sum of *One Thousand Pounds*, for the Purchase of Clothing for the Troops of this State, in the Service of the United States ; and *Two Hundred Pounds* for the Purchase of Articles of Subsistence for the said Troops, to be distributed agreeably to Law ; and that the Receipt of the said *James M<sup>c</sup>Comb* for the said Sums respectively, shall be sufficient Vouchers to the Treasurer for so much of the publick Money, in his Settlement with the State.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Kay* and Mr. *Walling* do carry the above Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o'Clock.

*Thursday,*

*Thursday, November 30, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Message from the House of Assembly of Yesterday, relative to authorizing *James M'Comb*, Esquire, Clothier of this State, to draw from the Treasury *Twelve Hundred Pounds* for the Purchase of Clothing and Articles of Subsistence, &c. and the Council seeing in the Journals of the House of Assembly of the sixteenth Instant, that a Circular Letter from His Excellency General *Washington* of the tenth Instant, recommending it to the several States to provide certain Articles of Clothing for the Army, was before the House; and also being informed by Mr. *M'Comb*, that he hath laid an Estimate before said House, for the Clothing immediately necessary for the Brigade in the Service of this State.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Elmer* do wait on the House of Assembly, and request the above Letter and Estimate.

Mr. *Elmer* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, 'An Act to prevent the Inhabitants of this State from trading with the Enemy,' &c. and, after some Time spent therein, the further Consideration thereof was postponed.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock, *P. M.*

The House met.

The Council having resumed the Consideration of the Message from the House of Assembly of Yesterday, relative to authorizing *James M'Comb*, Esquire, Clothier, to draw from the Treasury *Twelve Hundred Pounds* for the Purchase of Clothing and Articles of Subsistence, &c.

*Resolved*, That the House do concur in the Resolution therein contained.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lawrence* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Lawrence* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, 'An Act more effectually to prevent the Inhabitants of this State from trading with the Enemy,' &c. and, after some Time spent therein, the further Consideration thereof was postponed.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o'Clock.

*Friday, December 1, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *Elmer*, from the Committee to whom was committed the Bill, intituled, 'An Act for the more easy and effectual Procurement of Supplies for the Army of the United States,' reported, that the said Committee had gone through the said Bill, and made sundry Amendments thereto, which he was ready to report when the House would be pleased to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made immediately:

Whereupon Mr. *Elmer* read the said Amendments in his Place, and delivered them in at the Table.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Scudder* and Mr. *Camp*, in the Words following:

'*Ordered*.

**T**HAT Mr. *Scudder* and Mr. *Camp* do wait on the Council, and request them to inform the House what Progress they have made in the Bill, intituled, "An Act for the more speedy and effectual Procurement of Supplies for the Army of the United States," sent to them for Concurrence on the seventeenth Day of *November* last.

The House adjourned till three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. *Blanch* and Mr. *Kay*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, the Bill, intituled, 'An Act for completing the Quota of Troops belonging to  
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‘ this State, in the Service of the United States, and for supplying the Deficiencies that may from Time to Time happen therein ;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Elmer* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that this House committed the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for the more speedy and effectual Procurement of Supplies for the Army of the United States,’ to a Committee, who, having reported their Amendments, the said Bill and Amendments are now under Consideration.

Mr. *Elmer* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act more effectually to prevent the Inhabitants of this State from trading with the Enemy,’ &c. and, after some Time spent therein, the further Consideration thereof was postponed.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o’Clock.

*Saturday, December 2, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

The House took into Consideration the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for the more easy and effectual Procurement of Supplies for the Army of the United States,’ with the Amendments reported by Mr. *Elmer* ; and, after some Time spent therein, the further Consideration thereof was postponed.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for completing the Quota of Troops belonging to this State, in the Service of the United States, and for supplying the Deficiencies that may from Time to Time happen therein,’ was read a second Time ; and, after some Time spent therein, the further Consideration thereof was postponed.

The House adjourned till *Monday* Morning Ten o’Clock.

*Monday, December 4, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before, except the Governor.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for completing the Quota of Troops belonging to this State, in the Service of the United States, and for supplying the Deficiencies that may from Time to Time happen therein ;’ and, after some Time spent therein, the further Consideration thereof was postponed.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for completing the Quota of Troops belonging to this State, in the Service of the United States,’ &c. and, after some Time spent therein,

*Ordered*, That the further Consideration thereof be postponed.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act more effectually to prevent the Inhabitants of this State from trading with the Enemy,’ &c. and made sundry Amendments thereto ;

*Ordered*, That the said Bill as amended be engrossed.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Message from the House of Assembly of the 27th of *November* last relative to recommending to the Officers of the *New-Jersey* Brigade to appoint a certain Number from their own Body to attend the Legislature within the second Week of their next Sitting, that they may, in Conjunction with a Committee to be appointed by the Legislature, adjust the Compensation to be allowed to the Officers, non-commissioned Officers and Privates of the said Brigade, &c.

*Resolved*, That the House do not concur in the Resolution therein contained,

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Symmes* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

The House took into Consideration the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for the more easy and effectual



‘ *fectual Procurement of Supplies for the Army of the United States,*’ with the Amendments reported by Mr. *Elmer* ; and, after some Time spent therein ;

*Resolved*, That the House do not agree to the said Amendments ; and the said Bill being read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the same do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Symmes* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. *Symmes* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o’Clock.

*Tuesday, December 5, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before, and the Governor.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Smith* and Mr. *Marsh*, in the Words following :

‘ *Resolved*,

‘ **T**HAT *Isaac Collins*, Printer, be directed to insert in his Newspaper a Copy of the Act, intitled, “ An Act for the more speedy and effectual Procurement of Supplies for the Army of the United States,” and that he be directed to strike off seventy-five extra Papers on that Account, to be forwarded to the Counties where his Newspapers do not generally circulate.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Smith* and Mr. *Marsh* do carry the above Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Council having taken into Consideration the foregoing Message,

*Resolved*, That the House do concur in the Resolution therein contained.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Caldwell* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

The engrossed Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act more effectually to prevent the Inhabitants of this State from trading with the Enemy, or going within their Lines, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ was read and compared ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Caldwell* do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. *Caldwell* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o’Clock.

*Wednesday, December 6, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

Council considering that the sixth Article of the Constitution which does not allow their House to prepare or alter any Money Bill, may by some be so construed as greatly to embarrass publick Business ; to avoid which, and to draw a Line of Conduct agreeable to both Houses,

*Ordered*, That a Committee of the whole House be a Committee to join a Committee of the whole House of Assembly in a free Conference on the above Subject ; and that the Committee of Council appoint a Chairman to make Report to this House of the Proceedings of the Conference ; that the said Committee meet at the House of Mr. *Bergen* at four o’Clock this Afternoon, and that Mr. *Lawrence* do wait on the House of Assembly, and request them to appoint a Committee for the above Purpose.

Mr. *Lawrence* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

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A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Sexton* and Mr. *Walling*, in the Words following :

‘ **T**HE House having taken into Consideration the Message from the Council of this Day, by Mr. *Lawrence*, relative to appointing a Committee to join a Committee of the Council in a free Conference on the Subject in their Message expressed.

‘ *Resolved*, That the House do not agree to the Conference therein proposed.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Sexton* and Mr. *Walling* do wait on the Council, and acquaint them therewith.’

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for completing the Quota of Troops belonging to this State, in the Service of the United States, and for supplying the Deficiencies that may from Time to Time happen therein ;’ and, after some Time spent therein, and several Amendments made thereto,

*Ordered*, That the said Bill and Amendments be read a third Time.

The House adjourned till *Friday* Morning Ten o’Clock, *Thursday* being appointed for Thanksgiving.

*Friday, December 8, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for completing the Quota of Troops belonging to this State, in the Service of the United States, and for supplying the Deficiencies that may from Time to Time happen therein,’ with the Amendments, was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill as amended do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Symmes* do carry the said Bill and Amendments to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence in the said Amendments.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Martin* and Mr. *Suydam*, in the Words following :

‘ *Resolved*,

‘ **T**HAT it be recommended to the Officers of the *New-Jersey* Brigade, to appoint a certain Number from their own Body to attend the Legislature on *Monday* the 18th Day of *December* Instant, to confer with a Committee to be by them appointed on the Subject of the Compensation to be made to the Officers, non-commissioned Officers and Privates of the said Brigade, for the Depreciation of their Pay, to the first Day of *August* last.

‘ *Resolved*, That a Copy of the above Resolution be transmitted to the Commanding Officer of the said Brigade as soon as possible.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Martin* and Mr. *Suydam* do carry the above Resolutions to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Council having taken into Consideration the foregoing Message,

*Resolved*, That the House do concur in the Resolutions therein contained.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Symmes* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Symmes* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Tallman* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that this House do not concur in the Allowance of the Account of *Matthias Baker*, Esquire, one of the Commissioners in the County of *Middlesex*, for taking Charge of, and selling the Personal Estates of certain Fugitives, as reported and stated by the Auditor General, and sent from the House of Assembly to this House for Concurrence on the 14th of *November* last.

Mr. *Tallman* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Ewing* and Mr. *Congleton*, in the Words following :

‘ *Ordered*,

‘ **T**HAT Mr. *Ewing* and Mr. *Congleton* do carry back to the Council the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for completing the Quota of Troops belonging to this State, in the Ser-

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‘ vice of the United States, and for supplying the Deficiencies that may from Time to Time happen therein, and acquaint them that this House cannot agree to receive and read the Amendments made to the said Bill by the Council, consistently with the sixth Article of the Constitution.’

The House adjourned till Eleven o’Clock *Monday Morning*.

*Monday, December 11, 1780.*

The House met.

P R E S E N T,

His Excellency the GOVERNOR,

Mr. COOPER,	Mr. SYMMES,	Mr. MANNING,
Mr. CALDWELL,	Mr. ELMER,	Mr. LAWRENCE.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met—Present as before, and Mr. *Tallman*.

Mr. *Lambert* and Mr. *S. Ogden*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act to raise, by voluntary Enlistment, eight hundred and twenty Men, for the Defence of the Frontiers of this State ;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Tuesday, December 12, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before, and the Vice-President.

*Whitten Cripps*, Esquire, produced a Certificate of his being duly elected ; which was read, and he therefore made and subscribed the Affirmation required by Law, before *James Caldwell*, Esquire, one of the Members of this House, and took his Seat in Council.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act to raise, by voluntary Enlistment, eight hundred and twenty Men, for the Defence of the Frontiers of this State,’ was read a second Time, debated, and the further Consideration thereof postponed.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Wednesday, December 13, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Message from the House of Assembly of the eighth Instant, esteem it their Duty in Answer thereto to observe, that the Council being apprehensive that the sixth Article of the Constitution might by some be so construed as to prevent Amendments being made in a publick Way by their House to sundry Bills as heretofore practised, and being very desirous to avoid Disputes, and the Delay of Business that would inevitably arise from such a Construction, did on the sixth Instant propose a free Conference of the two Houses to the Assembly, for the Purpose of drawing a Line of Conduct satisfactory to both, and beneficial to the Publick. This Proposal being rejected by the Assembly, the Council did then proceed in doing Business agreeably to the Method adopted, and uniformly practised upon by their Predecessors, and accordingly sent to the House of Assembly on the eighth Instant, their Amendments to the Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act for completing the Quota of Troops belonging to this State, in the Service of the United States, and for supplying the Deficiencies that may from Time to Time happen therein,’ in Answer to which the Message now under Consideration was returned ; that this Message precludes the Council from proceeding in the usual Way of doing Business, and deprives them of that Share in Legislation which former Councils have enjoyed ever since the Revolution ; in Proof of this the following Instances are adduced from the Journals of the two Houses :

11th. An Act for completing the four Battalions in this State, passed at *Haddonfield* May 28th, 1777. (This Bill originated in the Assembly, was amended by the Council on the 25th of May, sent to the Assembly, and the Amendments agreed to by them.)

12d. An Act to procure certain Articles of Clothing for the Use of the *New-Jersey* Regiments on the Continental Establishment. (This Bill was sent to the Council, and amended by them the 19th of November, 1777, then sent back, and the Amendments agreed to by the Assembly the 22d.)

13d. An Act for granting a Bounty upon Wool, Flax and Hemp, &c. (This Bill originated in Council, was sent to the House of Assembly the 10th of April, 1778, and passed by them the 14th.)

14th. An Act for appointing a Commissary of Prisoners for this State, &c. (Originated in Council December 3d, 1778, and, on the Question in the Assembly, December 9th, Whether the said Bill is a Money-Bill, and therefore improper to be originated in Council? It was carried in the Negative by 21 Members against 5.)

15th. A Resolution originated in Council, December 11th, 1778, ordering the Treasurer to provide for, and present to Captain *Fitz-Randolph* a Sword, &c. The 12th the Assembly concurred.

16th. An Act for embodying 1000 of the Militia, &c. (originated in Council May 12th, 1779, and passed the Assembly June 2d, 1779.)

17th. An Act for recruiting, by voluntary Enlistments, the three Regiments of this State, in the Service of the United States. (This Act was amended by the Council the 7th of June, 1779, the Amendments received by the Assembly June 16th.)

18th. An Act to provide for the better Subsistence of the Troops of this State, in the Service of the United States. (This Bill was amended by the Council, then sent to the House of Assembly, and passed with the Amendments the 11th of June, 1779.)

19th. An Act to embody, for a limited Time, 4000 Militia, &c. (originated in Council, and concurred in by Assembly 9th of October, 1779.)

20th. An Act for regulating the Election of Members of the Legislature, &c. passed at *Mountholly* 24th of December, 1779. (This Bill was amended by Council the 16th of December, was sent to the Assembly for their Concurrence, and Part of the Amendments agreed to by them.)

21th. A Resolution originated in Council, March 3, 1780, authorizing *John Smith* to draw from the Treasury any Sum not exceeding £. 5000. (This was received and read in the House of Assembly the sixth, and disagreed to.)

22th. An Act for completing the Quota of Troops belonging to this State, in the Service of the United States. (This Bill was amended by the Council, and the Amendments sent to, and concurred in by the Assembly, March 11th, 1780.)

23th. An Act to amend an Act, intituled, 'An Act for the regulating, training and arming of the Militia, and the supplementary Act thereto.' (This Bill was amended the 15th of March, and passed the Assembly with the Amendments the 18th of March, 1780.)

24th. A supplemental Act to the Act, intituled, 'An Act for procuring Provisions for the Use of the Army,' &c. (This Act was amended by the Council, to which Amendments the Assembly agreed in Part, the 17th of March, 1780.)

25th. An Act for the Security, Support and Exchange of Prisoners of War, &c. (This Bill was amended by the Council, and the Amendments received and agreed to by the Assembly, June 17th, 1780.)

26th. An Act to enlarge the Powers of the Contractors of the several Counties in this State, for a limited Time. (This Bill was amended by the Council, and the Amendments received and agreed to by the Assembly the 17th of June, 1780.)

As all these Acts and Resolutions, with others that might be produced, disposed of publick Money as fully as the Bill in Question, they shew that none of the preceding Legislatures apprehended that such Bills came within the Limitation of the before-mentioned sixth Article in the Constitution; and as the Council most earnestly wish to do neither more nor less than their Constituents have a Right to expect from them, and still considering a free Conference as most likely to remove all Doubts, to prevent accidental Disputes, and ascertain the Line by which the Business of Legislation shall be conducted in future, do close the above State of Facts with a Repetition of their former Request for a Conference upon the Subject;

Ordered, That Mr. *Cooper* do wait on the House of Assembly with the above Message, and request their Concurrence in the Conference therein proposed.

Mr. *Cooper* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. *Elmer*, with Leave of the House, brought in a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for ascertaining the Value of the Continental Currency in the Payment of Debts, and for taking the same out of Circulation at the Time therein mentioned;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Carle* and Mr. *Kay*, in the Words following :

‘ *Ordered*,  
 ‘ **T**HAT Mr. *Camp*, Mr. *Hughes*, Mr. *Winds*, Mr. *Henderson* and Mr. *Van-Cleve*, be a Committee to join a Committee of the Council for the Purpose of settling the Accounts of Mr. *Tucker*, late Treasurer of the Provincial Congress of this State.  
 ‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Carle* and Mr. *Kay* do wait on the Council, and request them to appoint a Committee for the said Purpose.’

The Council having taken the foregoing Message into Consideration,  
*Ordered*, That Mr. *Caldwell* and Mr. *Elmer* be a Committee to join a Committee of the House of Assembly for the Purpose mentioned in the said Message, and that Mr. *Cripps* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Cripps* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to raise, by voluntary Enlistment, eight hundred and twenty Men, for the Defence of the Frontiers of this State;’ and, after some Time spent therein, the further Consideration thereof was postponed.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o’Clock.

*Thursday, December 14, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *Van-Cleve* and Mr. *Hoagland*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, An Act for the Support of the Government of the State of *New-Jersey*, to commence the thirteenth Day of *October*, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty, and to end the second *Tuesday* in *October*, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-one;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Van-Cleve* and Mr. *Hoagland*, in the Words following :

‘ **T**HE House resumed the Consideration of that Part of the Message from the Governor of Yesterday, relative to Mr. *Biddle*; whereupon,

‘ *Resolved*, That the Letter from *Beriah Taylor*, in Support of that Part of His Excellency’s Message, relative to *Joseph Biddle*, Esquire, be referred back to the Governor, and that His Excellency be authorized to direct the Attorney-General to commence a Prosecution against the said *Joseph Biddle*, if it shall appear to His Excellency, and to the Attorney-General, that a Recovery can be had, or Damages obtained against the said *Biddle*.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Van-Cleve* and Mr. *Hoagland* do carry the above Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for ascertaining the Value of the Continental Currency in the Payment of Debts, and for taking the same out of Circulation at the Time therein mentioned,’ was read a second Time, debated, and the further Consideration thereof postponed.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. *Kay* and Mr. *Mayhew*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to declare and ascertain the Privileges of the Subjects of His Most Christian Majesty residing within this State;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Also the following Message was received from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Kay* and Mr. *Mayhew* :

‘ **THE**

‘ THE House having taken into Consideration the Message from Council of Yesterday,  
 ‘ by Mr. Cooper,  
 ‘ Resolved, That this House have already given their Answer and Determination with  
 ‘ Respect to the Conference therein proposed, and cannot with Propriety, or consistently  
 ‘ with Order, re-consider the Subject, or reverse their former Determination.  
 ‘ Resolved, That this House deem it altogether improper, and out of the Line of their Du-  
 ‘ ty, to go into a publick Conference with the Council upon any Clause of the Constitution.  
 ‘ Ordered, That Mr. Kay and Mr. Mayhew wait on the Council, and acquaint them with  
 ‘ the foregoing Resolutions.’

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Friday, December 15, 1780.

The House met—Present as before.

The House adjourned till three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The

“(1) DR. *David Olden*, one of the Commissioners appointed in a Law passed *November—*  
*New—*

To Cash received at several Times, from *December 9, 1777, to April 6, 1779, as*  
*per Account,* - - - - - £. 4323 3 5

To 21 Pair of Shoes and 2 Pair of Stockings purchased, for the De-  
 livery of which no Voucher is produced, - - - - - 20 12 6

1779.  
 Sept. 8. Balance due *David Olden*, - - - - - 30 17 7½

£. 4374 13 6½

(2) DR. *Jacob Wikoff*, Commissioner for paying Bounty, &c. to the 9 Month’s Re—  
 To Cash borrowed from fundry Persons agreeably to Law, as per Account, £. 2400

£. 2400

(3) DR. *Timothy Elmer*, Esquire, one of the Commissioners appointed in a Law passed—  
 the State of—

To Cash received at several Times, in 1777 and 1778, £. 875

1778.  
 Oct. 28. Balance due *Timothy Elmer*, - - - - - 178 15 8

£. 1053 15 8

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ' An Act for ascertaining the Value of the Continental Currency in the Payment of Debts, and for taking the same out of Circulation at the Time therein mentioned ;' and, after some Time spent therein, the further Consideration thereof was postponed.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o'Clock.

*Saturday, December 16, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ' An Act for ascertaining the Value of the Continental Currency in the Payment of Debts, and for taking the same out of Circulation at the Time therein mentioned ;' and, after some Time spent therein, the further Consideration thereof was postponed.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Hughes* and Mr. *Blanch*, with fundry Accounts stated as follows :

25th, 1777. to purchase Clothing in the County of *Middlesex*, in Account with the State of *Jersey*, CR.

By the Amount of his Disbursements for Clothing, Materials, making, carting, &c. as per Vouchers, No. 1 to 274,	-	-	-	£.	3909	2	2½
By 326 Days Wages, at 22/6 per Day,	-	-	-	-	366	15	
By Expences for Self and Carters,	-	-	-	-	98	16	4
				£.	4374	13	6½

recruits raised in the County of *Monmouth*, in Account with the State of *New-Jersey*, CR.

1778.

June 1. By Bounty, Subsistence and Cash in Lieu of Clothing, paid 49 Recruits from said County, as per Vouchers, No. 1 to 5,	£.	961	10
By Cash paid <i>David Forman</i> , one of the Commissioners of Clothing, as per Order and Receipts, No. 6 to 8,	-	375	
By Do. paid <i>Michael Mount</i> , Commissioner as afore said, per Receipts, No. 9 to 10,	-	350	
1778. By Commissions,	-	25	6
June 9. Balance due the State,	-	688	4

£. 2400

November 25th, 1777, to purchase Clothing in the County of *Cumberland*, in Account with *New-Jersey*, CR.

1778.

Jan. 5.	By Clothing purchased and delivered <i>Alexander Chambers</i> , per Receipt,					
	No. 1,	-	-	-	£. 349	3
	By seven and a half Days Wages and transporting,	-	-	-	38	5 3
May 21.	By Clothing purchased and delivered 9 Months Men, per Voucher,					
	No. 2,	-	-	-	46	18
	By 5 Days Wages,	-	-	-	5	12 6
Oct. 28.	By Do. purchased and delivered <i>Enos Kelsey</i> , per Voucher, No. 3,				567	14 3
	By 9 Days Wages and transporting,	-	-	-	39	2 8
	By 2 Shirts stolen at <i>Princeton</i> ,	-	-	-	7	

£. 1053 15 8

(4) DR. *John Tonkin*, one of the Commissioners appointed in a Law passed November—  
of New—

1779. To Cash received at sundry Times, between February 12th and April  
18th, 1778, as per Account, - - - - - £. 1099 4 2  
March 31. Balance due *John Tonkin*, - - - - - 56 5 4½  
£. 1155 9 6½

(5) DR. *Edward Bunn*, Esquire, one of the Commissioners appointed in a Law passed—  
the State of—

To Cash received at sundry Times, from December 9th, 1777, to February 20th,  
1778, as per Account, - - - - - £. 998 4 6  
To 1 Hat deficient, - - - - - 1 2 6

£. 999 7

(6) DR. *Edward Keasby*, Esquire, late Commissary to the 1st Battalion of Militia in—

1777. To Cash received at sundry Times, - - - - - £. 137 9 1  
Nov. 3. Balance due *Edward Keasby*, - - - - - 4 2 4  
£. 141 11 5

(7) DR. *Nathaniel Scudder*, Esquire, late one of the Delegates of this State, in Account—  
1779.

Nov. 24. To Cash received from the Treasury of the United States at sundry  
Times, as per Account, - - - - - £. 1687 10  
Balance due *Nathaniel Scudder*, - - - - - 1172 15  
£. 2860 5

(8) DR. *Ephraim Mills*, Esquire, one of the Commissioners appointed in a Law passed—  
the State of—

1778.

Jan. 24. To Cash received of *James Ewing*, County Collector, - - - £. 150  
Sept. 14. To Do. received of Do. - - - 100  
To 4 Shirts and 9 Pair of Shoes, deficient, - - - 32 17 8  
£. 282 17 8

(9) DR. *Thomas Carpenter*, Paymaster of Bounty, Subsistence and Milage, to the Mili—  
State of—

1779.

Aug. 21. To Cash received at the Treasury, - - - - - £. 1600  
Sept. 21. Balance due *Thomas Carpenter*, - - - - - 215 9 3  
£. 1815 9 3



25th, 1777, to purchase Clothing in the County of *Burlington*, in Account with the State of *New-Jersey*, CR.

By fundry Disbursements for Clothing, from <i>September 4th</i> , 1778, to <i>March 31st</i> , 1779, as per Vouchers,	£. 1116 2 2
By 35 Days Wages, at 22/6 per Day,	30 7 6
	<u>£. 1155 9 6</u>

*November 25th*, 1777, to purchase Clothing in the County of *Somerjet*, in Account with *New-Jersey*, CR.

1778. By fundry Disbursements in 1777 and 1778, for Clothing, as per Vouchers, No. 1 to 46,	£. 482 16 7
May. By Cash paid 65 Recruits for 9 Months, raised in said County, as per Vouchers, No. 47 and 48,	395 5
By Twenty-four and a Half Days Wages, and the Expences of Transportation,	45 6 3
By Balance paid into the Treasury, as per Receipt, No. 50,	75 19 2
	<u>£. 999 7</u>

*Salem County*, in Account with the State of *New-Jersey*, CR.

1777.  
Aug. 30. By fundry Disbursements, as per Account and Vouchers, No. 1 to 9, £. 141 11 5  
£. 141 11 5

for Monies drawn from the Treasury of the United States, on the Credit of this State, CR.

1779.  
Nov. 28. By Attendance in Congress, as per Account, rendered, £. 2860 5

*November 25th*, 1777, to purchase Clothing in the County of *Cumberland*, in Account with *New-Jersey*, CR.

By fundry Disbursements for Clothing, as per Account,	£. 227 11 8
1779. By 17 Days Wages, and Expences of Transportation,	34 18 8
April 1. Balance due the State,	20 7 4
	<u>£. 282 17 8</u>

tia embodied in the County of *Salem*, by Law passed *June 2d*, 1779, in Account with the *New-Jersey*, CR.

1779.  
Sept. 21. By Bounty, &c. paid 58 Recruits in said County, per Vouchers, No. 1 to 3, £. 1767  
By Commissions, 35 6 9  
By Travelling Expences, 13 2 6  
£. 1815 9 3

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(10) DR. *Andrew Sinnickson*, Esquire, late one of the Paymasters of the Militia of this—

1777. June.	To Cash received of <i>Abraham Clark</i> , Esquire, one of the Delegates in Congress,	£. 67 50
Dec.	To Do. received of <i>Joseph Borden</i> ,	22 50
	Balance due <i>Andrew Sinnickson</i> ,	13 3 7
		£. 90 13 3 7

(11) DR. *John Lloyd* and *William Scudder*, Esquires, two of the Commissioners of for—  
Jer—

To the net Proceeds of the Real Estates in their Division, as per Account,	£. 35969 9 8
To the net Proceeds of the Personal Estates, as per Do.	2018 2 1 1
	£. 37987 11 9 1

(12) DR. *Frederick Freelinghuysen*, Esquire, late one of the Delegates, in Account of—

1779. March 17.	To Cash drawn from the Treasury of the United States,	£. 412 10
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(13) DR. *Elisba Boudinot*, Esquire, late Commissary of Prisoners for—

1780.	To Cash received at sundry Times, per Account,	£. 750
	Balance due <i>Elisba Boudinot</i> ,	1148 3
		£. 1898 3
1780. Dec. 1.	Balance due <i>Elisba Boudinot</i> , in Specie,	£. 175 13 9

(14) DR. *Charles Rhodes*, Paymaster of Bounty, Subsistence, &c. to the Militia embo—  
New—

1779. June.	To Cash received of <i>John Stevens</i> , Junior, Treasurer,	£. 1580
1780. Sept. 25.	Balance due <i>Charles Rhodes</i> ,	26 6 1
		£. 1606 6 1

(15) DR. *Jared Sexton*, *Nathaniel Hunt* and *Peter Brunner*, Esquires, Commissioners of—  
Jer—

To the net Proceeds of the Personal Estates fold in said County, as per Account,	£. 14501 16 3
To the net Proceeds of the Real Estates fold, as per Account,	89647 15 7
	£. 104149 11 10

State, in Account with the State of *New-Jersey*, CR.

By Cash paid the Militia, as per Abstract and Rolls, No. 1 to 66, inclusive,	£. 7302 16 11½
By Bounty paid Do. as per Abstract and Rolls, No. 1 to 15,	1621 1 10
By Commissions at one per Cent.	89 4 9½
	<hr/> £. 9013 3 7

feited Estates in the County of *Middlesex*, in Account Current, with the State of *New-Jersey*, CR.

By Cash paid into the Treasury from <i>October</i> 6th, 1777, to <i>May</i> 27th, 1780,	
as per Receipts, No. 1 to 6,	£. 37926 19 3
Balance due the State,	60 12 6½
	<hr/> £. 37987 11 9½

Monies drawn from the Treasury of the United States, on the Credit of this State, CR.

1779.	
<i>March</i> 17. By fifty-five Days Attendance in Congress, from <i>January</i> 19th to	
<i>March</i> 14th, 1779,	£. 412 10

this State, in Account with the State of *New-Jersey*, CR.

By Cash paid out, as per Account and Vouchers, No. 1 to 5,	£. 769 8
By Time and Expences acting as Commissary 1 Year,	1128 15
	<hr/> £. 1898 3
By the Balance of <i>Lewis Pintard's</i> Account in Specie,	£. 175 13 9

died in the County of *Suffex*, by a Law passed *June* 2d, 1779, in Account with the State of *Jersey*, CR.

1779.	
<i>July</i> 17. By Bounty, Subsistence, &c. paid 56 Recruits, as per Vouchers,	
No. 1 to 56,	£. 1510 13 9
By Colonel <i>Hankinson's</i> Payroll discharged, No. 57,	56 12 6
By Travelling Expences,	7 10
By Commissions,	31 9 10
	<hr/> £. 1606 6 1

forfeited Estates in the County of *Hunterdon*, in Account Current with the State of *New-Jersey*, CR.

By Cash paid into the Treasury at sundry Times, from <i>March</i> 29th, 1779,	
to <i>October</i> 23d, 1780, per Vouchers, No. 1 to 15,	£. 76543 11
Balance due the State,	27606 10
	<hr/> £. 104149 11 10

(16) DR. The Honourable *John Witherspoon*, Esquire, late one of the Delegates, in Ac—  
1779.

Nov. 24. To Cash drawn from the Treasury of the United States, per Ac—  
count, - - - - - £. 1875  
Balance due *John Witherspoon*, - - - - - 474

£. 2349

(17) DR. The Account of *Hendrick Fisher*, Esquire, late one of the Commissioners for—  
25th,—

To Cash received of *John Dennis*, Esquire, at fundry Times, from April 15th  
to October 6th, 1776, as per Account, - - - - - £. 674 2  
To Do. received for 3 Guns lost by the Militia, - - - - - 13 6  
Balance due *Hendrick Fisher*, carried to Account Current, - - - - - 156 11 6  
£. 844 9 6

DR. The Account of *Hendrick Fisher*, Esquire, late Barrack-Master—

To Cash received of *John Dennis*, Esquire, Treasurer, - - - - - £. 60 6

DR. *Hendrick Fisher*, in Account Current,—

1776.  
Nov. To the Balance of his Account, as Barrack-Master, - - - - - £. 47 6  
Balance due *Hendrick Fisher*, - - - - - 109 5 6  
£. 156 11 6

(18) DR. *Samuel Kaighn*, appointed to pay the Bounty, Subsistence, &c.—

1779.  
Sept. 25. To Cash received at the Treasury, - - - - - £. 1680

(19) DR. *Joseph Chamberlain*, appointed to purchase Clothing in the County of Hunter—

1778.  
June. To Cash received from the Treasury at fundry Times, - - - - - £. 550  
1779.  
Jan. 1. Balance due *Joseph Chamberlain*, - - - - - 46 15 1  
£. 596 15 1

count of Monies drawn from the Treasury of the United States, on the Credit of this State, Cr.

1779.

Nov. 24. By Attendance in Congress, from May 11th, 1778, to this Day,  
as per Account, - - - - - £. 2349

purchasing Arms and Military Stores, appointed by Ordinance of Congress, October  
1775, Cr.

1776.

Nov. 30. By sundry Disbursements, pursuant to his Appointment, as per Ac-  
count and Vouchers, No. 1 to 28, - - - - - £. 804 9 6  
By his own Time and Expenses, - - - - - 40  
£. 844 9 6

at New-Brunswick, appointed in Provincial Congress, Cr.

1776.

Nov. By Trouble and Expenses taking Care of the Barracks thirteen  
Months, - - - - - £. 13  
Balance due the State, carried to Account Current, - - - - - 47 6  
£. 60 6

with the State of New-Jersey, Cr.

1776.

Nov. 30. By the Balance of his Account, as Commissioner for purchasing Mi-  
litary Stores, - - - - - £. 156 11 6  
£. 156 11 6

to the Militia of Gloucester, embodied by a Law passed June 2d, 1779, Cr.

1779.

July 3. By Bounty, Subsistence, &c. paid 60 Recruits, as per Account and  
Vouchers, - - - - - £. 1521 7 6  
By Commissions, - - - - - 30 9 1  
By Milage, - - - - - 6 11 3  
Balance paid into the Treasury, October 7th, 1780, - - - - - 121 12 2  
£. 1680

don, in a Law passed November 25th, 1777, in Account with the State of New-Jersey, Cr.

By Sundries, Clothing purchased, as per Account and Vouchers, No. 1 to

114, - - - - - £. 523 5 1  
By 49 Days Wages, and transporting, - - - - - 73 10  
£. 596 15 1

(20) Dr.

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(20) DR. *Thomas Denny*, appointed in a Law passed *November 27th*, 1776, to pay Boun—  
Account with the—

1776.  
Dec. 17. To Cash received of *Richard Smith*, Esquire, Treasurer, £. 1608  
To Bounty paid, and Shoes and Stockings furnished the Officers, 7  
disallowed, - - - - - 30 5  
£. 1638 5

DR. *Thomas Denny*, appointed in a Resolution, *January 31st*, 1777, to muster and pur—  
with the State—

1777.  
Feb. 1. To Cash received of *Richard Smith*, Esquire, Treasurer, £. 181 8 7  
11th, To Do. received of Do. - - - - - 800  
£. 981 8 7

(21) DR. Honourable *John Fell*, Esquire, one of the Delegates, in Account of Monies—

1780.  
Jan. 19. To Cash received at the Continental Treasury at sundry Times, as  
per Account, - - - - - £. 3487 10  
April 8. To Do. at the Treasury of this State, - - - - - 2250  
Balance due *John Fell*, - - - - - 2297 7 6  
£. 8034 17 6

(22) DR. The Account of *Joseph Borden*, Esquire, appointed in a Law passed *April*—

1778.  
May 22. To Cash borrowed of sundry Persons agreeably to said Law, as per  
Account rendered, - - - - - £. 2475  
£. 2475

DR. The Account of *Joseph Borden*, Esquire, appointed to pay the Militia for—

To Cash received of *Samuel Tucker*, Esquire, at sundry Times, from *June 6th*  
to *August 27th*, 1776, - - - - - £. 648 7 9  
Balance due *Joseph Borden*, carried to Account Current, - - - - - 32 18 4  
£. 681 6 1

DR. *Joseph Borden*, Esquire, in Account—

1778.  
May 25. To the Balance of his Account as Paymaster to nine Months Men, £. 1444 0 5  
£. 1444 0 5

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ty, and to furnish Shoes and Stockings to the Militia enlisted to the first of *April*, 1777, in State of *New-Jersey*, CR.

1777.

<i>July</i> 9. By Bounty paid, and Shoes and Stockings furnished, as per Account and Vouchers, No. 1 to 332,	£. 1193 13
By Commissions,	11 18 8
Balance due the State,	432 13 4
	£. 1638 5

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chafe Arms for Colonel *Potter's* Regiment of Militia, enlisted to *April* 1st, 1777, in Account of *New-Jersey*, CR.

1777.

<i>April</i> 1. By the Amount of his Disbursements, in Pursuance of his Appointment, as per Account and Vouchers,	£. 847 17 9
By Commissions,	50 9 9
Balance due the State,	83 1 1
	£. 981 8 7

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drawn from the Treafury of the United States, on the Credit of this State, CR.

1780.

<i>June</i> 13. By Attendance in Congress since first of <i>December</i> , 1778, as per Account rendered,	£. 8034 17 6
	£. 8034 17 6

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3d, 1778, to pay Bounty, &c. to the Militia enlisted for nine Months, CR.

1778.

<i>May</i> 25. By Bounty, &c. paid 33 Recruits from said County, as per Vouchers, No. 1 to 6,	£. 1015 15
By Commissions,	15 4 7
Balance due the State carried to Account Current,	1444 0 5
	£. 2475

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certain Services, &c. by Ordinance of Convention, *June* 4th, 1776, CR.

1776.

<i>Aug.</i> 2. By sundry Disbursements in Pursuance of his Appointment, as per Account,	£. 681 6 1
	£. 681 6 1

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Current with the State of *New-Jersey*, CR.

1776.

<i>Aug.</i> 12. By the Balance of his Account as Paymaster,	£. 32 18 4
Balance due the State,	1411 2 1
	£. 1444 0 5

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(23) DR. *John Neilson*, Esquire, late Chairman of the Committee of—

1776.  
*July*. To Cash received of *John Dennis*, Esquire, - - - £. 25 0 0  
£. 25 0 0

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(24) DR. *John Schuerman*, of New-Brunswick, in—

1776.  
*July* 9. To Cash received of *John Dennis* at fundry Times, £. 100 0 0  
£. 100 0 0

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DR. *John Schuerman*, late Barrack-Master at New-Brunf—

1776.  
*April* 9. To Cash received of *John Dennis*, Esquire, - - - £. 100 0 0  
 To the Exchange between Proclamation and Light Money, 16 13 4  
£. 116 13 4

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(25) DR. *William Garrison* and *Thomas Sayre*, Commissioners of forfeited—

To the net Proceeds of the Personal Estates sold in said County, - £. 2019 10  
 To the net Proceeds of the Real Estates sold in said County, - 20887 17 3  
£. 22907 7 3

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(26) DR. *William Shreve*, appointed to pay Bounty, &c. to the Militia of the—

1779.  
*July* 17. Amount due *William Shreve*, - - - £. 2542 4 3  
£. 2542 4 3

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(27) DR. Colonel *Ephraim Martin*, in Account of pay due his Battalion of Militia of—

1776.  
*April* 29. To Cash received of *John Dennis*, Esquire, - - - £. 201 0 0  
*May* 11. To Do. received of *Samuel Tucker*, - - - 383 3 9  
 Balance due *Ephraim Martin*, - - - 249 9 3  
£. 833 13 0



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*New-Brunswick*, in Account with the State of *New-Jersey*, CR.

By Cash paid out for forwarding Provisions, Baggage-Waggons, Expresies,	
&c. as per Account and Vouchers, No. 1 to 4,	£. 24 0 9
Balance due the State,	19 3
	£. 25 0 0

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Account with the State of *New-Jersey*, CR.

1776.

By Cash paid fundry Persons for transporting Baggage, &c. per Account	
and Vouchers, No. 1 to 35,	£. 93 10 9
By Horse Hire, Trouble and Expences,	6 9 3
	£. 100 0 0

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*wick*, in Account with the State of *New-Jersey*, CR.

1776.

March. By Repairs done and Sundries furnished to the said Barracks,	
May 2. Balance paid <i>Joseph Vickers</i> , his Successor,	£. 42 18 0
	73 15 4
	£. 116 13 4

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Estates in *Salem*, in Account with the State of *New-Jersey*, CR.

By Cash paid into the Treasury at fundry Times, to <i>November</i> 1780, as per	
Receipts, No. 1 to 4,	£. 22744 13 9
Balance due the State,	162 13 6
	£. 22907 7 3

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County of *Burlington*, embodied by a Law passed *June* 2d, 1779, CR.

1779.

July 17. By Bounty, &c. paid 106 Recruits from said County, as per Vouch-	
ers, No. 1 to 3,	£. 2489 13 9
By Commissions,	49 14 3
Milage,	2 16 3
	£. 2542 4 3

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*Suffex* County, for a Tour of Duty to *New-York* in *March* and *April*, 1776, CR.

1776.

April 15. By the Amount of the Pay of his Regiment discharged by him, as	
per Abstract and Rolls,	£. 833 13 0
	£. 833 13 0

(18) DR.

28) Dr. *William White*, appointed in a Law passed *April 3, 1778*, to pay—

1778.  
*Aug. 11.* To Cash borrowed and received of sundry Persons, as per Account, £. 1971 0 0  
£. 1971 0 0

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(29) Dr. *Robert Maxwell*, appointed in a Resolution of 15th of *September*, and conti—  
in Account with the—

1777.  
1778. To Cash received of sundry Persons at sundry Times, £. 1098 12 3  
£. 1098 12 3

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(30) Dr. *William Manning* and *Ebenezer Ford*, two of the Commissioners of forfeited—

To the net Proceeds of the Personal Estates sold in their Division, as per Ac-  
count, - - - - - £. 4665 10 6  
To Do. of Real Estates, - - - - - 218202 5 3  
£. 222867 15 9

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(31) Dr. *William Hankinson* and *Thomas Anderson*, Esquires, two of the Commissioners of—

1779.  
*Sept. 16.* To the Personal Estate of *William Green*, - - - - - £. 162 2 6  
To Do. of *John Cowgill*, - - - - - 30 7 6  
To the Real Estate of *William Green*, - - - - - 3830 0 0  
To Do. of *John Cowgill*, - - - - - 1982 10 0  
£. 6005 0 0

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(32) Dr. *John Butler* and *Joseph Borden*, Junior, Commissioners of forfeited Estates in—

1778.  
*Dec. 12.* To the net Proceeds of the Personal Estates sold in said County, £. 1679 12 9  
1779.  
*April 10.* To Do. of Real Estates, - - - - - 21988 0 0  
£. 23667 12 9

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Bounty, &c. to the nine Months Men raised in <i>Suffex</i> County,	CR.
<sup>1778.</sup> <i>Oct.</i> By Bounty paid 65 Recruits raised in said County, and the Expence of conducting them to Camp, as per Vouchers exhibited,	£. 1623 12 0
By Commissions,	24 7 0
Balance due the State,	323 1 0
	<hr/> £. 1971 0 0

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passed in a Law passed *November* 25th, 1777, to purchase Clothing in the County of *Suffex*,  
State of *New-Jersey*, CR.

<sup>1777.</sup> <sup>1778.</sup> By fundry Disbursements pursuant to his Appointment, as per Account and Vouchers, No. 1 to 19,	£. 784 5 1
By 64 Days Wages and Transportation,	103 5 0
<i>Oct.</i> 18. Balance due the State,	211 2 2
	<hr/> £. 1098 12 3

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Estates in the County of *Middlesex*, in Account Current with the State of *New-Jersey*, CR.

By Cash paid into the Treasury from <i>February</i> 23d, 1779, to <i>De-</i> <i>cember</i> 9, 1780, as per Receipts, No. 1 to 19,	£. 118028 12 6
<sup>1780.</sup> <i>Aug.</i> 8. Balance due the State,	104839 3 3
Paid in <i>December</i> 9, 1780,	3942 7 6
	<hr/> £. 222876 15 9

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forfeited Estates in the County of *Suffex*, in Account with the State of *New-Jersey*, CR.

<sup>1780.</sup> <i>Oct.</i> 2. By fundry Disbursements, as per Account,	£. 152 9 3
By Commissions,	125 17 6
Balance due the State <i>December</i> 16, 1779,	5726 13 3
	<hr/> £. 6005 0 0

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the County of *Burlington*, in Account Current with the State of *New-Jersey*, CR.

<sup>1779.</sup> <i>Feb.</i> 13. By the Amount of his Account as Commissary of Clothing in said County, attested,	£. 467 15 9
<i>Oct.</i> 30. By Cash paid into the Treasury, as per Receipt,	15100 0 0
Balance due the State from <i>July</i> 10, 1779,	8099 17 0
	<hr/> £. 23667 12 9

33) Dr. George Warne and John Barber, Esquire, Commissioners of forfeited—

Christopher Ainsley,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	£. 267 13 9
Peter Appleman,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	179 8 0
Richard Bealesby,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	500 7 0
William Debnam,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17 9 0
John Bealesby,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	174 0 0
Burrough Flummerfelt,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28 18 0
James Stuart,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	75 10 6
Samuel Wiggins,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	213 11 0
Philip Force,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	77 13 0
Christopher Young,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	54 8 0
Azariah Culver,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40 0 0
								£. 1637 18 3

The House having gone through the Examination of all the Accounts, as reported at sundry Times by the Auditor, together with the Vouchers relative thereto,

*Resolved*, That the House do allow the said Accounts.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Hughes and Mr. Blanch do carry the said Accounts to the Council, for their Allowance and Concurrence."

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House adjourned till Monday Morning Ten o'Clock.

*Monday, December 18, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

Theunis Dey and Frederick Frelinghuysen, Esquires, produced Certificates of their being duly elected, which were severally read, and they thereupon took and subscribed the Oaths required by Law, before John Stevens, Esquire, one of the Members of the House, and took their Seats in Council.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, 'An Act for ascertaining the Value of the Continental Currency,' &c. and, after some Time spent thereon, the further Consideration thereof was postponed.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. Winds and Mr. Bunn, in the Words following :

*Ordered*,  
**T**HAT Mr. Scudder, Mr. Ewing, Mr. Henderson, Mr. Hughes and Mr. Lindfly, be a Committee of this House to join a Committee of Council, to meet at the House of Mr. Bergen at four o'Clock this Afternoon, in order to confer with a Number of Officers from the *New-Jersey* Brigade, on the Compensation to be made to the Officers, non-commissioned Officers and Privates of the said Brigade, for the Depreciation of Pay due to them, and that Mr. Winds and Mr. Bunn do wait on the Council, and request them to appoint a Committee to join a Committee of this House for the above Purpose.'

The Council having taken into Consideration the foregoing Message,

*Ordered*, That Mr. Caldwell and Mr. Elmer be a Committee to join the Committee of the House of Assembly for the Purpose mentioned in the said Message, and that Mr. Lawrence do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. Lawrence reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. Mayhew and Mr. Scabrook, from the House of Assembly, brought back to this House the Bill, intituled, 'An Act more effectually to prevent the Inhabitants of this State from trading with the Enemy, or going within their Lines, and for other Purposes therein mentioned, with sundry Amendments made thereto,' to which Amendments they requested the Concurrence of this House.

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Estates in the County of *Suffex*, in Account with the State of *New-Jersey*, CR.

By Cash paid out, taking Inventories, Inquisitions, Judgments, collecting Goods, Advertising, Sales, &c.	-	-	-	-	-	£. 191 14 3
Debts paid, as per Vouchers,	-	-	-	-	-	159 14 11
Commissions,	-	-	-	-	-	81 17 10
Cash paid <i>William White</i> , Paymaster to nine Months Men, as per Receipt,						546 10 0
Cash paid <i>Robert Maxwell</i> , Commissioner for Clothing, as per Do.						98 12 3
Balance due the State, paid into the Treasury May 20, 1779,	-					559 9 0
						<hr/> £. 1637 18 3

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for ascertaining the Value of the Continental Currency in the Payment of Debts, and for taking the same out of Circulation at the Time therein mentioned,’ and, having gone through the same,  
*Ordered*, That the said Bill be engrossed.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Tuesday, December 19, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for ascertaining the Value of the Continental Currency in the Payment of Debts, and for taking the same out of Circulation at the Time therein mentioned,’ having been read and compared; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nay.
Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Frelinghuysen</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cripps</i> .
Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Tallman</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .	
Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cooper</i> ,		
Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stevens</i> ,		

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Dey* do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. *Dey* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House took into Consideration the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for completing the Quota of Troops belonging to this State, in the Service of the United States, and for supplying the Deficiencies that may from Time to Time happen therein;’ on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It was carried in the Negative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Caldwell* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is negatived by this House.

Mr. *Caldwell* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. *Freeman* and Mr. *Martin*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to continue an Act, intituled, An Act to alter the Place of holding the Interior Court of Common Pleas and General Quarter-Sessions of the Peace for the County of *Middlesex*;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Message was received from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Hildreth* and Mr. *Walling*, in the Words following:

‘ THE Speaker laid before the House a Bond given by *John Stevens*, Jun. Esq. Treasurer of the State, with Security in the Sum of *Twenty Thousand Pounds*, for the due Execution of his Office; which Bond having been read and considered,

‘ *Resolved*, That the House do approve of the said Bond and Security.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Hildreth* and Mr. *Walling* do carry the same to the Council, for their Approbation.’

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The Council having taken the said Bond into Consideration,

*Resolved*, That the House do approve of the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Frelinghuysen* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Frelinghuysen* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Amendments made by the House of Assembly to the Bill, intituled, 'An Act more effectually to prevent the Inhabitants of this State from trading with the Enemy, or going within their Lines, and for other Purposes therein mentioned.'

*Resolved*, That the House agree to the 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 22d and 23d Amendments made to the said Bill, and in all other Respects adhere to their Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Tallman* do carry back to the House of Assembly the said Bill and Amendments, and acquaint them with the above Resolution.

Mr. *Tallman* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. *Lawrence*, from the Committee appointed on the 2d of *November* last, to join a Committee of the House of Assembly to settle the Treasurers Accounts, reported, that the said Committee had met and stated the Accounts of the Treasurer, which he was ready to report when the House would be pleased to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made immediately.

Whereupon Mr. *Lawrence* exhibited the Accounts of the said Treasurer, settled by the said Committee, with two Certificates thereunder written, in the Words following :

1st. We the Committee of the Council and Assembly appointed to settle the Accounts of the present Treasurer, having examined the same and the several Vouchers relative thereto, from No. 1 to No. 427, inclusive, do find the Balance of *Sixty-one Thousand Seven Hundred and one Pounds Seventeen Shillings and Five-pence*, Continental Currency, remaining in the Hands of the said Treasurer, due to the State.

ELISHA LAWRENCE,  
NATHANIEL SCUDDER,  
JARED SEXTON,  
HUGH HUGHES.

2d. We the Committee of the Council and Assembly appointed to settle the Accounts of the Treasurer, having examined the same and the several Vouchers relative thereto, from No. 428 to No. 548, inclusive, do find the Balance of *Two Thousand Four Hundred and Seventy-eight Pounds Nineteen Shillings and Five-pence*, in Bills of Credit issued on the Faith of this State, remaining in the Hands of the said Treasurer, due to the State.

ELISHA LAWRENCE,  
NATHANIEL SCUDDER,  
JARED SEXTON,  
HUGH HUGHES.

Which Accounts and Certificates having been examined,

*Resolved*, That the House do approve of the said Report.

The House adjourned till Ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Wednesday, December 20, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to continue an Act, intituled, An Act to alter the Place of holding the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Quarter-Sessions of the Peace for the County of *Middlesex*,' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to declare and ascertain the Privileges of the Subjects of His Most Christian Majesty residing within this State,' was read a second Time, and the further Consideration thereof postponed to the next Sitting.

The Bill, intituled, An Act for the Support of the Government of the State of *New-Jersey*, to commence the thirteenth Day of *October*, 1780, and to end the second *Tuesday* in *October*, 1781, inclusive,' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Blanch* and Mr. *Sparks*, in the Words following :  
' *Resolved*,

‘ *Resolved,*  
 ‘ **T**HAT the Paymaster of the County of *Essex* be authorized and directed to pay off  
 ‘ the Arrearages due to the three Troops of Horse of this State, who were called out  
 ‘ into Service on the Lines, from the first of *February* to the first of *March* last, by Order  
 ‘ of General *Washington*.  
 ‘ *Ordered,* That Mr. *Blanch* and Mr. *Sparks* do wait on the Council with the foregoing  
 ‘ Resolution, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

A Petition from *John Van-Mater*, of the County of *Monmouth*, setting forth, that he hath been cruelly and unjustly treated, by having his Property clandestinely taken from him by a certain Captain *Grien* and others, belonging to a celebrated Number called and known by the Name of Associates, in the County of *Monmouth*, and praying Relief, was read, and sent to the House of Assembly.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o’Clock.

*Thursday, December 21, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before

Mr. *Caldwell*, from the Committee appointed on the 18th Instant, to confer with the Officers of the *New-Jersey* Brigade, reported, that the said Committee had met according to Order, and that he was ready to report their Proceedings whenever the House would be pleased to receive the same.

*Ordered,* That the said Report be made immediately :

Whereupon Mr. *Caldwell* read the Report in his Place, and delivered it in at the Table, which Report is as follows :

**T**HE Committee appointed to confer with the Officers of the *New-Jersey* Brigade beg Leave to report, that they have formed a Table of Depreciation agreeably to the Schedule hereunto annexed, which meets the Approbation of the Gentlemen from the Army, and is nearly similar to one published by the Assembly of *Pennsylvania* on the same Subject, and which they would recommend as the Rule whereby to determine what may remain due on Account of Depreciation, to the Officers and Privates belonging to this State, in the Service of the United States, agreeably to the Resolutions of Congress of *March 15th* and *August 17th, 1779*, and of *February 29, April 10th, August 8th* and *12th, 1780* :

That from the pressing Necessities of the Army, and the great Hardships they endure for Want of Money (as hath been fully stated to your Committee ;) they would further represent, that every Principle of Humanity and Policy requires, that before the Legislature rises, Provision should be made for ascertaining the Arrearages due to every Individual of the Army, and for paying the same ; that a Part of what may be due be paid as soon as Money can possibly be drawn from the Treasury for that Purpose, and that Certificates be given for the Remainder to be paid in Specie or the Value thereof, as soon as the Finances of the State will admit, and that the Faith of the State be pledged for the punctual Payment of the said Certificates.

Your Committee beg Leave further to report, that it appeared to them in the Course of their Conference with the Officers of the Army, that besides what the Army have suffered in the Depreciation of their Pay, several Months usually elapsed after their Pay became due before they received it, which has subjected the Army to an additional Depreciation.

JAMES CALDWELL,  
 NATHANIEL SCUDDER.

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A T A B L E O F D E P R E C I A T I O N.

1777.		<i>July</i>	3	1778.		<i>July</i>	5
<i>January</i>	1	<i>August</i>	3	<i>January</i>	4	<i>August</i>	5
<i>February</i>	2	<i>September</i>	3	<i>February</i>	4	<i>September</i>	5
<i>March</i>	2	<i>October</i>	3	<i>March</i>	5	<i>October</i>	5
<i>April</i>	2	<i>November</i>	4	<i>April</i>	5	<i>November</i>	6
<i>May</i>	2	<i>December</i>	4	<i>May</i>	5	<i>December</i>	6
<i>June</i>	3			<i>June</i>	5		

1779.		June	20	December	40	May	60
January	8	July	20	1780.		June	60
February	10	August	24	January	42	July	60
March	12	September	24	February	50		
April	16	October	30	March	60		
May	20	November	36	April	60		

And the said Report being read a second Time, the further Consideration thereof was postponed.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Lambert* and Mr. *Sexton*, in the Words following :

*Ordered*,  
**T**HAT Mr. *Lambert* and Mr. *Sexton* do carry back to the Council the Bill, intituled, “ An Act more effectually to prevent the Inhabitants of this State from trading with the Enemy, or going within their Lines, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,” with the Amendments made thereto by this House, and acquaint them that this House have receded from their 8th, 9th and 21st Amendments made by this House, and rejected by the Council.”

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be re-engrossed.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Message from the House of Assembly of the 20th of *November* last, relative to authorizing the Treasurer to pay to *Ephraim Blaine*, Esquire, or his Order, *One Hundred and Forty-nine Dollars*, &c.

*Resolved*, That the House do concur in the Resolution therein contained.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lawrence* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Message from the House of Assembly of the 20th Instant, relative to authorizing the Paymaster of the County of *Essex* to pay off the Arrearages due to the three Troops of Horse of this State, who were called into Service on the Lines in *February* last, by Order of General *Washington*,

*Resolved*, That the House do concur in the Resolution therein contained.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lawrence* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Lawrence* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for the Support of the Government of the State of *New-Jersey*, to commence the thirteenth Day of *October*, 1780, and to end the second *Tuesday* in *October*, 1781, inclusive,’ was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It was carried in the Negative, as follows :

Yea.	Nays.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Tallman</i> .	Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cripps</i> ,
	Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Frelinghuysen</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> ,
	Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cooper</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> .

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Frelinghuysen* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is rejected by this House.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to continue an Act, intituled, An Act to alter the Place of holding the Interior Court of Common Pleas and General Quarter-Sessions of the Peace for the County of *Middlesex*,’ was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Frelinghuysen* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. *Frelinghuysen* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o’Clock.

*Friday, December 22, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

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The re-engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act more effectually to prevent the Inhabitants of this State from trading with the Enemy, or going within their Lines, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ was read and compared,

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Manning* do carry the said re-engrossed Bill to the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House with their Amendments.

Mr. *Manning* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Message from the House of Assembly of the 13th Instant, relative to authorizing the Governor to direct the Attorney-General to commence a Prosecution against *Joseph Biddle*, &c. on the Question, Whether the House concur in the Resolution therein contained?

The Yeas and Nays were called for by Mr. *Tallman*, seconded by Mr. *Cooper*, when it was carried in the Affirmative, as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yea.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Frelinghuysen</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .	Mr. <i>Tallman</i> ,
Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stevens</i> ,		Mr. <i>Cooper</i> ,
Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> ,		Mr. <i>Cripps</i> .

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Dey* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Dey* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

*Resolved*, That when any Member shall move for the Yeas and Nays, the same shall be entered without being seconded, provided the same is required on any Question previous to taking the Vote of the House.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Petition from *John Jarmain* and other Children of *John Jarmain*, deceased, late of the County of *Cumberland*, setting forth, that the said *John Jarmain*, deceased, did, by his Last Will and Testament, direct certain Lands to be sold, and the Monies arising therefrom to be equally divided amongst his said Children, and empowering *Mary Jarmain* and *Jacob Fries*, his Executors, to sell the said Lands, but that *Mary Jarmain*, the acting Executrix, died before the Sales, and that *Malachiah Jarmain*, the oldest Son of the said *John Jarmain*, refuses to comply with the said Will, &c. and praying Relief, was read a second Time ;

Whereupon it is ordered, that the Petitioners have Leave to bring in a Bill for their Relief at the next Sitting, upon their giving Notice of the same in the *Pennsylvania Journal* for at least four Weeks preceding the next Sitting, and also serving a Copy of this Order on *Malachiah Jarmain*, Heir at Law.

*Resolved*, That the Delegates of this State, in the Congress of the United States, be instructed to move Congress, that Colonel *Elias Dayton* be promoted to the Rank of Brigadier-General.

*Resolved*, That Mr. *Caldwell* do wait on the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence in the above Resolution.

Mr. *Caldwell* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o’Clock.

*Saturday, December 23, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *G. Ogden* and Mr. *Marsh*, in the Words following :

‘ *Resolved*,  
**T**HAT *Isaac Collins*, Printer, be desired to insert in his Newspaper a Copy of the Act, intituled, “ An Act more effectually to prevent the Inhabitants of this State from trading with the Enemy, or going within their Lines, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,” and that he be directed to strike off two hundred extra Papers on that Account, to be distributed in the respective Counties of the State, in the like Proportion with the Laws.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *G. Ogden* and Mr. *Marsh* do carry the said Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

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The House having taken into Consideration the foregoing Message,  
*Resolved*, That the House concur in the Resolution therein contained.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cripps* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Cripps* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. *Freeman* and Mr. *Hoagland*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for completing and keeping up the Quota of Troops belonging to this State, in the Service of the United States;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to raise, by voluntary Enlistment, eight hundred and twenty Men, for the Defence of the Frontiers of the State,’ and debated it by Paragraph:

On Motion of Mr. *Elmer*, seconded by Mr. *Cooper*, that only 620 be raised instead of 820; on the Question, the Yeas and Nays were called for by Mr. *Cooper*, and it was carried for 820 Men, as follows:

For 620.	For 820.	For 820.
Mr. <i>Tallman</i> ,	Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Frelinghuysen</i> ,
Mr. <i>Cooper</i> ,	Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stevens</i> ,
Mr. <i>Cripps</i> ,	Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .
Mr. <i>Elmer</i> .	Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	

The further Consideration of the said Bill was postponed.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House adjourned till Monday Morning Ten o’Clock.

*Monday, December 25, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before, except Mr. *Cooper* and Mr. *Lawrence*.

Mr. *Van-Cleve* and Mr. *Kay*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, the following Bills: A Bill, intituled, ‘A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act for regulating the Election of the Members of the Legislative Council and Assembly, Sheriffs and Coroners of the State of *New-Jersey*; and also to direct the Election of Delegates to represent the said State, in the Congress of the United States;’ A Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to extend the Powers of the Collectors in receiving certain Certificates in Payment of Taxes;’ which several Bills were read the first Time, and ordered a second Reading.

A Message was also received from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Van-Cleve* and Mr. *Kay*, in the following Words:

‘*Ordered*,  
**T**HAT Mr. *Van-Cleve* and Mr. *Kay* do carry the Warrants entitling *Enoch Milford* and *Elizabeth Johnson* to draw their late Fathers Half-pay; the Warrant entitling *Prudence Quig* to draw her late Husband’s Half-pay; and the Warrant entitling *Richard Jones* to receive Half-pay during Life, to the Council, and request their Concurrence.’

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for completing and keeping up the Quota of Troops belonging to this State, in the Service of the United States,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to raise, by Voluntary Enlistment, eight hundred and twenty Men, for the Defence of the Frontiers of the State;’

On Motion of Mr. *Elmer*, that the Number of Men to be raised by this Bill be confined to the Counties of *Bergen*, *Effex*, *Middlesex*, *Monmouth*, *Suffex* and *Somerset*; on the Question, the Yeas and Nays being called for by Mr. *Elmer*, it was carried in the Negative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yea.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Tallman</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> .	Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Frelinghuysen</i> ,
Mr. <i>Cripps</i> ,		Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .
Mr. <i>Stevens</i> ,		Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	The

The further Consideration of the said Bill was postponed.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ' An Act to raise, by voluntary Enlistment, eight hundred and twenty Men, for the Defence of the Frontiers of the State,' and having gone through the same,

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be read a third Time.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Message from the House of Assembly of this Day, by Mr. *Van-Cleve* and Mr. *Kay*, with four Warrants for Half-pay;

*Resolved*, That the House do concur in the said Warrants.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cripps* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Cripps* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House of this Day.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o'Clock.

*Tuesday, December 26, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before, and Mr. *Cooper* and Mr. *Lawrence*.

The Bill, intituled, ' An Act for completing and keeping up the Quota of Troops belonging to this State, in the Service of the United States,' was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Dey* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Message from the House of Assembly of the 16th *December*, Instant, with the Accounts stated and sent therewith, and also the Resolution accompanying the same;

*Resolved*, That the House concur therein.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Dey* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Dey* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

Mr. *G. Ogden* and Mr. *Bunn*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ' An Act to suspend the Sales of all such Real Estates of certain Fugitives and Offenders as are or may become forfeited to and vested in this State, and for other Purposes therein mentioned;' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ' An Act to raise, by voluntary Enlistment, eight hundred and twenty Men, for the Defence of the Frontiers of the State,' was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yea.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .	Mr. <i>Tallman</i> ,
Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Frelinghuysen</i> ,		Mr. <i>Cooper</i> ,
Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stevens</i> ,		Mr. <i>Cripps</i> ,
			Mr. <i>Elmer</i> .

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Frelinghuysen* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. *Frelinghuysen* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intituled, ' An Act to extend the Power of the Collectors in receiving certain Certificates in Payment of Taxes,' was read a second Time, and committed to Mr. *Caldwell*, Mr. *Frelinghuysen* and Mr. *Elmer*.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intituled, ' A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act for regulating the Election of the Members of the Legislative-Council and Assembly, Sheriffs and Coroners of the State of New-Jersey, and also to direct the Election of Delegates to represent the

‘ said State in the Congress of the United States,’ was read a second Time :

On Motion of Mr. *Elmer*, that the 14th and 15th Sections of the Act of which the above is a Supplement, should be repealed, and the following Section added to this Bill, *to wit* :

That all further Elections of Representatives to serve in the Council and General Assembly of this State, and of Sheriffs and Coroners, shall be by Ballot, &c. on the Question, the Yeas and Nays being called for by Mr. *Manning*, It was carried for the Motion, as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Frelinghuysen</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cripps</i> ,	Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,
Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Tallman</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> .	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .
Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cooper</i> ,		

And several other Amendments being made to the said Bill, the same with the Amendments was ordered to be read a third Time.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o’Clock.

*Wednesday, December 27, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before, except the Governor.

Mr. *Fenimore* and Mr. *Suydam*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ A Supplement to an Act, intituled, An Act for the more ‘ speedy and effectual Procurement of Supplies for the Army of the United States ;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading ;

Also a Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Fenimore* and Mr. *Suydam*, in the Words following :

‘ **W**HEREAS a considerable Sum of Continental Money lies in the Treasury, and on ‘ Account of the Absence of the Honourable *David Brearly*, Esquire, the New Mo- ‘ ney cannot be signed, nor the said Continental Money be exchanged ; therefore, ‘ Resolved, That the Treasurer of the State be directed immediately to call upon *Moore ‘ Furman*, Esquire, to proceed in Conjunction with the Honourable *Philemon Dickinson*, ‘ Esquire, to sign the New Money agreeably to Law. ‘ Ordered, That Mr. *Fenimore* and Mr. *Suydam* do carry the said Resolution to the Coun- ‘ cil, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Bill, intituled, ‘ A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act for regulating the Elec- ‘ tion of the Members of the Legislative-Council and Assembly, Sheriffs and Coroners of the ‘ State of *New-Jersey*, and also to direct the Election of Delegates to represent the said ‘ State in the Congress of the United States,’ with the Amendments, were read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill as amended do pass ? It passed in the Af- firmative, as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Frelinghuysen</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cripps</i> ,	Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,
Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Tallman</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> .	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .
Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cooper</i> ,		

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the said Bill and Amendments.

Ordered, That Mr. *Cooper* do carry the said Bill and Amendments to the House of As- sembly, and request their Concurrence in the said Amendments.

Mr. *Cooper* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to suspend the Sales of all such Real Estates of certain Fugi- ‘ tives and Offenders as are or may become forfeited to and vested in this State, and ‘ for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ was read a second Time, debated, and the fur- ther Consideration thereof postponed.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to suspend the Sales ‘ of all such Real Estates of certain Fugitives and Offenders as are or may become for- ‘ feited to and vested in this State, and for other Purposes therein mentioned ;’ and, after some Time spent therein, the said Bill was committed to Mr. *Symmes* and Mr. *Freling- huysen*.

The House adjourned till Ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Thursday, December 28, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before, and the Governor.

Mr. *Caldwell*, from the Committee to whom was referred the Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to extend the Power of the Collectors in receiving certain Certificates in Payment of Taxes,’ reported, that the said Committee had gone through the said Bill and made sundry Amendments thereto, which he was ready to report when the House would be pleased to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made immediately :

Whereupon Mr. *Caldwell* read the said Amendments in his Place, and delivered them in at the Table ; and the said Bill being again read with the Amendments, the further Consideration thereof was postponed.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. *Frelinghuysen*, from the Committee to whom was referred the Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to suspend the Sales of all such Real Estates of certain Fugitives and Offenders as are or may become forfeited to and vested in this State, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ reported, that the said Committee had gone through the said Bill and made sundry Amendments, which he was ready to report when the House would be pleased to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made immediately :

Whereupon Mr. *Frelinghuysen* read the said Amendments in his Place, and delivered them in at the Table ; and the said Bill being again read with the Amendments in their Places, was agreed to by the House.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill and Amendments be read a third Time.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Martin* and Mr. *Sparks*, in the Words following :

‘ *Ordered*,

‘ **T**HAT Mr. *Martin* and Mr. *Sparks* do carry the Warrant entitling *Elizabeth Fithian*, Widow of the Reverend *Philip Fithian*, deceased, to draw Half-pay, to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lawrence* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that this House concur in the above Warrant entitling *Elizabeth Fithian* to draw Half-pay.

Mr. *Lawrence* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Friday, December 29, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to suspend the Sales of all such Real Estates of certain Fugitives and Offenders as are or may become forfeited to and vested in this State, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ with the Amendments, was read a third Time : On the Question, Whether the said Bill as amended do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Symmes* do carry the said Bill and Amendments the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence in the said Amendments.

Mr. *Symmes* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Walling* and Mr. *Hildreth*, in the following Words :

‘ **W**HEREAS the Minister of *France* hath presented to this State a Copper-plate Print, representing the Origin of the *Swiss* Liberties and Commonwealth ;

‘ *Resolved*, That Mr. *Hughes* be requested to cause the same to be set in a Frame, and glazed in an elegant Manner ; and that he be authorized to draw on the Treasurer of the State for the Amount of the Expence which he may be at in carrying this Resolution into Effect.

‘ *Ordered*,

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Walling* and Mr. *Hildreth* do carry the above Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to extend the Power of the Collectors in receiving certain Certificates in Payment of Taxes,’ and the Amendments as reported by the Committee to whom it was referred :

On Motion of Mr. *Caldwell*, seconded by Mr. *Elmer*, that no Depreciation be allowed on the Certificates to be received in Payment of Taxes ; on the Question, the Yeas and Nays being called for by Mr. *Frelinghuysen*, it was carried against the Motion, as follows :

Yeas.	Nays.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Frelinghuysen</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> ,
Mr. <i>Cooper</i> ,	Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Tallman</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .
Mr. <i>Gripps</i> .	Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stevens</i> ,	

The further Consideration of the said Bill and Amendments was postponed.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to extend the Power of the Collectors,’ &c. and the Amendments ; and, after some Time spent therein, the further Consideration thereof was postponed.

Mr. *Kirkpatrick* and Mr. *Winds*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, the following Representation to the Congress of the United States.

*To the UNITED STATES in CONGRESS assembled.*

*The REPRESENTATION and REMONSTRANCE of the LEGISLATIVE-COUNCIL and GENERAL ASSEMBLY of the State of New-Jersey,*

*Sheweth,*

**T**HAT the Legislature of this State did, by their Representation, dated the sixteenth Day of *June*, in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy-eight, which was read in Congress, and entered in their Journals on the 25th Day of the same Month, make sundry Objections to, and propose correspondent Alterations in the Articles of Confederation proposed by Congress to the several States in Union.

That although a Majority of the said States in Congress did not agree to the said Alterations ; nevertheless urged by the then critical State of publick Affairs, and particularly by the Circular Letter of Congress, dated the 10th Day of *July*, in the same Year, the Legislature did, by an Act of the 20th of *November* following, an Exemplification of which was read in Congress, and entered on their Journals on the 25th Day of the same Month, empower the Delegates of the State to subscribe the said Articles of Confederation.

That avoiding unnecessary Repetitions, they beg Leave, in the most earnest and explicit Manner, to call the Attention of Congress to these several Records, as from them it is clearly understood in what Confidence this State waved, for the Time, their just Pretensions described in the sixth Article of the Representation before-mentioned, and postponed every private Consideration to the Happiness and Perfection of the Union, well convinced that the Time could not be far distant, when every partial and unfounded Claim would be equitably and satisfactorily relinquished.

That they saw with the utmost Surprise, an Office opened by the Commonwealth of *Virginia*, for the Sale and Disposal of Lands, which before and at the Commencement of the present War, were confessedly vested in the Crown of *Great-Britain*, when on the plainest Principles of the Law of Nations, of Reason, Truth and Justice, they are become, by the Revolution, vested in Congress, for the Use of the federal Republick.

They represent, that it is the indispensable Duty of this Legislature, in Justification and Defence of the Rights of the People, to except and remonstrate in the most pointed Terms against the Disposition of any Property under the foregoing Description, for the separate Emolument of any State.

That they acknowledge no Tribunal but that of Congress, competent to the Redress of such a Grievance as the setting up, by any State, an exclusive Claim to any of the said Lands, in whatever Part of the Union they may be situated ; and they see with Pleasure, in the Proceedings of Congress of the sixth Day of *September*, and tenth Day of *October* last, the faithful and generous Efforts made by that Honourable Body to compromise and adjust Differences upon this Subject, and have the fullest Hopes they will be effectual.

That

That it is the habitual Predilection of this State that all Causes of Complaint, Jealousy and Contest, not only upon this but every other Subject, should subside under the conciliating Influence of Equity, Moderation and liberal Affections, (an Example of which, on the present Question, is furnished by an adjoining State) and that it may never become just to entertain a Thought of resorting to other Means.

Confiding therefore in the watchful Care, in the Wisdom, Justice and Firmness of Congress, they assure themselves that the Republick will be secured against Detriment, and the Rights of every State in the Union strictly maintained.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Kirkpatrick* and Mr. *Winds*, in the Words following :

‘ THE House having taken into Consideration the Amendments made by the Council to the Bill, intituled, “ An Act to suspend the Sales of all such Real Estates of certain Fugitives and Offenders as are or may become forfeited to and vested in this State, and for other Purposes therein mentioned.”

‘ *Resolved*, That the House agree to the 2d, 3d and 4th Amendments made to the said Bill, and in all other Respects adhere to their Bill.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Kirkpatrick* and Mr. *Winds* do carry the said Bill to the Council, and acquaint them therewith.’

Mr. *Symmes*, with Leave of the House, brought in a Bill, intituled, ‘ A Supplement to an Act, intituled, An Act for establishing a Fund for sinking and redeeming the Proportion of the Bills of Credit of the United States, assigned as the Quota of this State ;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Stevens* has Leave of Absence till *Wednesday* next.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Saturday, December 30, 1780.*

The House met—Present as before, except Mr. *Stevens*.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Lindfly* and Mr. *Smith*, in the Words following :

‘ THE House having taken into Consideration the Message from the Council of the 22d Instant, relative to instructing the Delegates of this State, in the Congress of the United States, to move Congress to promote Colonel *Elias Dayton* to the Rank of Brigadier-General.

‘ *Resolved*, That the House do not concur in the Resolution therein contained.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Lindfly* and Mr. *Smith* do carry the above Resolution to the Council, and acquaint them therewith.’

On Motion of Mr. *Cooper*, seconded by Mr. *Caldwell*, that he have Leave to bring in a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to abolish Slavery throughout this State ;’

Whereupon the previous Question was moved by Mr. *Manning*, seconded by Mr. *Frelinghuysen*, Whether the Question on the first Motion be now taken ? It was carried in the Negative, as follows :

Yeas.	Yea.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .	Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Frelinghuysen</i> ,
Mr. <i>Cooper</i> ,		Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Tallman</i> ,
Mr. <i>Cripps</i> ,		Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> .

The Council having taken into Consideration the Amendments made by this House to the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to suspend the Sales of all such Real Estates of certain Fugitives and Offenders as are or may become forfeited to and vested in this State, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ and rejected by the House of Assembly ; on the Question, Whether this House recede from their said Amendments ? It was carried in the Negative, as follows :

Yea.	Nays.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Dey</i> .	Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Frelinghuysen</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cripps</i> ,
	Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Tallman</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> ,
	Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cooper</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Manning* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Freelinghuysen* has Leave of Absence till *Wednesday* Morning next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Symmes* and Mr. *Elmer* be a Committee to prepare and bring in a Bill to suspend the Sales of such Real Estates as have or may become forfeited to this State

The Bill, intituled, 'A Supplement to an Act, intituled, An Act for the more speedy and effectual Procurement of Supplies for the Army of the United States,' was read a second Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill be read a third Time? It was carried in the Negative, as follows:

Yeas.	Nays.	Nays.	Nay.
Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cooper</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .
Mr. <i>Tallman</i> .	Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cripps</i> ,	
	Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> ,	

Ordered, That Mr. *Manning* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is rejected by this House.

Mr. *Manning* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The Bill, intituled, 'A Supplement to an Act, intituled, An Act for establishing a Fund for sinking and redeeming the Proportion of the Bills of Credit of the United States, assigned as the Quota of this State,' was read a second Time, debated, and the further Consideration thereof was postponed. The

DR. Samuel *Tucker*, late Treasurer, in Ac—  
To Balance of Account as settled 18th September, 1776, by Committee of Council and Assembly, £. 7544 18 9

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Note, There is yet some unsigned Money in the Hands of *Samuel How*, Esq. Part of the £. 50,000.

The Committee having examined the Entries and Vouchers produced by Mr. *Tucker*, to Support the above Account, report them sufficient, except those in Favour of the last Charge of £. 5818 16 3, and finding the Evidence produced by Mr. *Tucker* in Support of that Article, stated in the Journals of the Assembly of February 17th, 1777, the Committee beg Leave to report to them, only suggesting the Propriety of submitting the Decision of all such Accounts to the common Course of Law, as a Mode most reputable to the Parties, and satisfactory to the Publick.

December 27th, 1780. By Order of the Committee,

JAMES CALDWELL,  
CALEB CAMP.

The House adjourned till Ten o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Tuesday, January 2, 1781.

The House met—Present as before, and Mr. *Lawrence*.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Blanch* and Mr. *Marsh*, in the Words following: Resolved,



The House adjourned till *Monday Morning Ten o'Clock.*

*Monday, January 1, 1781.*

The House met.

P R E S E N T,

His Excellency the GOVERNOR,

Mr. GOOPER,	Mr. TALLMAN,	Mr. CRIPPS,
Mr. CALDWELL,	Mr. MANNING,	Mr. SYMMES,
Mr. ELMER,	Mr. DEY,	

Mr. *Caldwell*, from the Committee appointed on the 13th of *December* last, for the Purpose of settling the Accounts of Mr. *Tucker*, late Treasurer of the Provincial Congress, reported, that the said Committee had met according to Order, and that he was ready to make report whenever the House would be pleased to receive the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made immediately :

Whereupon Mr. *Caldwell* read the said Report, and delivered it in at the Table, which is as follows :

count with the State of <i>New-Jersey</i> ,		Cr.
1776.		
Sept. 23.	By Cash paid <i>Alexander Chambers</i> ,	£. 100 10 0
Octo. 5.	By Do. paid <i>Thomas Reynolds</i> Certificate,	8 8 0
9th,	By Do. paid <i>Jonathan Bowen</i> , Esquire, Incidental Bill,	0 10 0
10th,	By Do. paid <i>Ann Burtles</i> , Speaker's Orders,	2 10 0
28th,	By Do. paid <i>David Pinkerton</i> , for the Committee of <i>Trenton</i> ,	30 3 0
Dec. 2.	By Do. paid <i>William Tucker</i> , Commissioner,	75 0 0
8th,	By Do. paid Treasurer <i>Smith</i> , signed,	1504 4 0
	By Do. paid <i>Hugh McLean's</i> Wife, a Soldier in Captain <i>Brearley's</i> Company,	3 0 0
	By Do. paid <i>John Wilson</i> , a Soldier in Captain <i>Brearley's</i> Company,	1 17 6
9th,	By unsigned Money seized by Lieutenant-Colonel <i>Robert Abercrombie</i> , at the House of <i>John Abbott</i> , in <i>Nottingham</i> , being the Balance, allowing 3-4 for Change,	5818 16 3
		£. 7544 18 9

Errors excepted, as of 4th *February*, 1777.

*Samuel Tucker*, late Treasurer.

*Resolved*,

THAT the Treasurer be directed to advance for Lieutenant-Colonel *William De-Hart*, Major *John Noble Cummings*, and the Reverend *Andrew Hunter*, each the Sum of *Thirty Pounds* lawful Money, to be deducted from such Sums as may be respectively allowed them hereafter, on Account of Depreciation, &c.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blanch* and Mr. *Marys* do carry the said Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.

The Council having taken into Consideration the foregoing Message,

*Resolved*, That the House concur in the Resolution therein contained.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Tallman* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Tallman* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

WHEREAS Congress by their Manifesto of *October 30, 1778*, did most solemnly declare, that if the Enemies of the United States should carry on War as threatened by their Commissioners, in a Manner inconsistent with the Dictates of Reason and Humanity, and

and not justified by the Customs of civilized Nations, they would take such exemplary Vengeance as should deter them from such Conduct ; which Manifesto was highly approved of by the good Citizens of this State : And whereas, notwithstanding the Enemy have proceeded, in Pursuance of said Threats, to exercise the most barbarous Cruelties, by murdering the most Innocent and Helpless, who had every Claim upon Humanity, and wantonly burning Dwelling-Houses and defenceless Villages in this State, as well as of other States in the Union, contrary to the Usages of War—Congress have neglected to execute their Declaration in the Manifesto aforesaid ; Therefore,

*Resolved*, That the Delegates representing this State in Congress be, and they hereby are also instructed to move Congress to take the most speedy and effectual Measures to retaliate agreeable to their Manifesto aforesaid, upon any Part of the Dominions of the King of *Great-Britain*, or of the Dominions of those *German* Princes or States who have aided the said King with their Troops in carrying on the War against the United States of *America*, with the most unexampled Cruelty.

*Resolved*, That the Delegates representing this State in Congress, be, and they hereby are also instructed to solicit Congress to fix and ascertain the Standard Rate of Alloy for Gold and Silver that may be coined by any of the United States of *America*, agreeably to the Confederation.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Caldwell* do wait on the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence in the above Resolutions.

Mr. *Camp* and Mr. *Lindfly*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, the following Bills : A Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for regulating, training, and arraying of the Militia, and for providing more effectually for the Defence and Security of the State ;’ a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for making Compensation to the Troops of this State, in the Service of the United States, for the Depreciation of their Pay ;’ which several Bills were read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ‘ A Supplement to an Act, intituled, An Act for establishing a Fund for sinking and redeeming the Proportion of the Bills of Credit of the United States, assigned as the Quota of this State ;’ and, after some Time spent therein, the same was ordered to be engrossed.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *G. Ogden* and Mr. *Bunn*, in the following Words :

‘ *Resolved*,  
**T**HAT *Isaac Collins*, Printer, be directed to strike off immediately, one hundred Copies of the Act, intituled, “ An Act to raise, by voluntary Enlistment, eight hundred and twenty Men, for the Defence of the Frontiers of this State ;” and likewise one hundred Copies of the Act, intituled, “ An Act for completing and keeping up the Quota of Troops belonging to this State, in the Service of the United States, and for supplying the Deficiencies that may from Time to Time happen therein ;” to be distributed to the Officers of the Army, and the Officers appointed to recruit and command the Troops on the Frontiers.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *G. Ogden* and Mr. *Bunn* do carry the said Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Council having taken the foregoing Message into Consideration,

*Resolved*, That the House concur in the Resolution therein contained ;

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lawrence* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Lawrence* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Wednesday, January 3, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Sparks* and Mr. *Hildreth*, in the following Words :

‘ *Ordered*,

‘ **T**HAT Mr. *Sparks* and Mr. *Hildreth* do carry the Bill, intituled, “ An Act for ascertaining the Value of the Continental Currency in the Payment of Debts, and for  
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‘ taking the same out of Circulation at the Time therein mentioned,” with the Amendments made thereto by this House, to the Council, and request their Concurrence in the said Amendments.’

A Message from the House of Assembly, dated Yesterday, by Mr. *Suydam* and Mr. *Kay*, in the Words following :

**T**HE House having taken into Consideration the Message from the Council of this Day, by Mr. *Caldwell*, relative to instructing the Delegates representing this State, in the Congress of the United States, &c.

‘ *Resolved*, That the House do concur in the several Resolutions therein contained.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Suydam* and Mr. *Kay* do wait on the Council, and acquaint them therewith.’

Mr. *Freeman* and Mr. *Hoagland*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill to provide for the Payment of the several Officers of the Government of the State of *New-Jersey*, to commence the 13th Day of *October*, 1780, and to end the second *Tuesday* in *October*, 1781, inclusive ; which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘ A Supplement to an Act, intituled, An Act for establishing a Fund for sinking and redeeming the Proportion of the Bills of Credit of the United States, assigned as the Quota of this State,’ was read and compared ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Elmer* do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Hughes* and Mr. *Mayhew*, in the following Words :

*Resolved*,  
**T**HAT the Honourable Major-General Lord *Stirling* be, and he hereby is authorized and entitled to receive the Depreciation on his established Pay, agreeably to the same Principles and Regulations as shall be adopted and established for the Troops of this State, in the Service of the United States.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Hughes* and Mr. *Mayhew* do carry the said Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Council having taken into Consideration the Representation to the Congress of the United States, sent from the House of Assembly to this House for their Concurrence on the 29th of *December* last ;

*Resolved*, That the House concur therein.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Elmer* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Elmer* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Thursday, January 4, 1781.*

The House met.

P R E S E N T,

His Excellency the GOVERNOR,

The VICE-PRESIDENT,	Mr. COOPER,	Mr. MANNING,
Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN,	Mr. CRIPPS,	Mr. ELMER,
Mr. LAWRENCE,	Mr. DEY,	Mr. SYMMES.
Mr. TALLMAN,		

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for the regulating, training, and arraying of the Militia, and for providing more effectually for the Defence and Security of the State,’ was read a second Time, debated, and the further Consideration thereof postponed.

Mr. *Blanch* and Mr. *Smith*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their

their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for striking the Sum of *Thirty Thousand Pounds* in ‘ Bills of Credit, of the Denomination of *Seven Shillings and Six-pence* and under, and directing the Mode for redeeming the same ;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Also a Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Blanch* and Mr. *Smith*, in the Words following :

‘ *Ordered*,  
‘ **T**HAT Mr. *Blanch* and Mr. *Smith* do carry to Council the Bill, intituled, “ A Supplement to an Act for establishing a Fund for sinking and redeeming the Proportion of the Bills of Credit of the United States, assigned as the Quota of this State,” with ‘ the Amendments made thereto by this House, and request their Concurrence in the said ‘ Amendments.’

The Council having taken the said Amendments into Consideration,

*Resolved*, That the House agree to the same ;

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be re-engrossed with the said Amendments.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The re-engrossed, Bill, intituled, ‘ A Supplement to an Act, intituled, An Act for establishing a Fund for sinking and redeeming the Proportion of the Bills of Credit of the United ‘ States, assigned as the Quota of this State,’ was read and compared.

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Dey* do carry the said re-engrossed Bill to the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House with their Amendments.

Mr. *Dey* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Amendments made to the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for ascertaining the Value of the Continental Currency in the Payment of ‘ Debts, and for taking the same out of Circulation at the Time therein mentioned,’ by the House of Assembly ;

*Resolved*, That the House agree to the same ;

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be re-engrossed with the said Amendments.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for making Compensation to the Troops of this State, in the ‘ Service of the United States, for the Depreciation of their Pay,’ was read a second Time, debated ; and, after some Time spent therein, ordered to be read a third Time.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Friday, January 5, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before, except the Governor.

A Message dated Yesterday, from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Ogden* and Mr. *Smith*, in the Words following :

‘ *Ordered*,  
‘ **T**HAT Mr. *Ogden* and Mr. *Smith* do carry the Bill, intituled, “ A Supplement to the ‘ Act, intituled, An Act for regulating the Election of the Members of the Legislative-Council and Assembly, Sheriffs and Coroners,” &c. to the Council, with the ‘ Amendments, and acquaint them that this House agree to the first and second of the said ‘ Amendments, and in other Respects do adhere to their Bill.’

Mr. *Ogden* and Mr. *Smith*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to confirm the Last Will and Testament of ‘ *Abraham Van-Neste*, Esquire, of *Millstone*, in the County of *Somerset*, and State of *New-Jersey*, deceased ;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Fenimore* and Mr. *Saydam*, in the Words following :

‘ *Resolved*,  
‘ **T**HAT the Sheriff of the County of *Burlington* be empowered and directed to furnish ‘ a necessary Quantity of Firewood to all Prisoners confined in the Gaol of said ‘ County, which have been or may be sent from any other County, and to close the Windows so as to make the Rooms as comfortable as Circumstances will admit, and lay an ‘ Account

‘ Account of his Expences and Vouchers before the Legislature at their next Sitting, for Examination and Payment.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Fenimore* and Mr. *Surdan* do carry the said Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Council having taken into Consideration the foregoing Message,

*Resolved*, That the House concur in the Resolution therein contained;

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Tallman* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Tallman* do carry back to the House of Assembly the Bill, intituled, ‘ A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act for regulating the Election of the Members of the Legislative-Council and Assembly, Sheriffs and Coroners of the State of New-Jersey, and also to direct the Election of Delegates to represent the said State in the Congress of the United States,’ with the Amendments, and acquaint them that this House recede from their 3d and 4th Amendments made to the said Bill, and rejected by the House of Assembly.

Mr. *Tallman* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The re-engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for ascertaining the Value of the Continental Currency in the Payment of Debts,’ was read and compared;

*Ordered*, That the Vice-President do sign the same;

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Symmes* do carry the said re-engrossed Bill to the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the same is passed by this House with their Amendments.

Mr. *Symmes* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. *Scabrook* and Mr. *Hildreth*, from the House of Assembly, brought to this House the re-engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘ A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act for regulating the Election of the Legislative-Council and General-Assembly,’ &c. and acquainted this House that the same was passed by the House of Assembly with the Amendments made thereto by this House, which re-engrossed Bill having been read and compared;

*Ordered*, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for the regulating, training, and arraying of the Militia, and for providing more effectually for the Defence and Security of the State:’

On Motion of Mr. *Elmer*, seconded by Mr. *Caldwell*, that the Words (with the Advice and Consent of the Privy-Council) in the 22d Section be struck out; on the Question, the Yeas and Nays being called for by Mr. *Cooper*, it was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> ,	Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cooper</i> ,
Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .	Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cripps</i> .
Mr. <i>Frelinghuysen</i> ,		Mr. <i>Tallman</i> ,	

The Votes being equal, the Vice-President gave his Vote in the Affirmative.

On Motion of Mr. *Frelinghuysen*, that the Words *two Justices*, in Section 37, be struck out, and the Yeas and Nays being called for it was carried in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yea.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Frelinghuysen</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .	Mr. <i>Tallman</i> ,
Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cripps</i> ,		Mr. <i>Cooper</i> .
Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> .		

*Ordered*, That the said Bill and Amendments be read a third Time.

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Saturday, January 6, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *Ewing* and Mr. *Martin*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to raise a Fund by Loan for discharging the  
‘ Bounty

‘ Bounty to be paid to the Troops required by Congress as the Quota of this State ;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for making Compensation to the Troops of this State, in the Service of the United States, for the Depreciation of their Pay,’ was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*  
*Ordered*, That the Vice-President do sign the same ;

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cooper* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House.

Mr. *Cooper* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. *Fenimore* and Mr. *Camp*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to empower *Jacob Parker* to erect a Dam, Mills and other Water-Works on the North-Branch of *Ancocus* Creek, above *Mount-Holly* ;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for striking the Sum of *Thirty Thousand Pounds* in Bills of Credit, of the Denomination of *Seven Shillings and Six-pence* and under, and directing the Mode for redeeming the same,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to extend the Powers of the Collectors in receiving certain Certificates in Payment of Taxes,’ and made sundry Amendments thereto ;

*Ordered*, That the said Bill and Amendments be read a third Time.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Schenck* and Mr. *Hoagland*, in the Words following :

‘ *Resolved*,

**T**HAT the Honourable *James Caldwell* and *Frederick Frelinghuysen*, Esquires, and *John Mehelm*, Esquire, Commissioners appointed by Law to liquidate and adjust the Accounts of the Depreciation of Pay with the Troops of this State, in the Service of the United States, or either of them be authorized and directed to draw from the Treasury of this State, as soon as the Circumstances thereof will admit, the Sum of *Two Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds*, lawful Money, to be by them advanced to the Officers, non-commissioned Officers and Privates, in the following Proportion, *viz.*

‘ To each and every commissioned Officer, the Sum of *Twenty Dollars* ; and to each and every non-commissioned Officer and Private, the Sum of *Five Dollars*, which Sums are to be accounted for by the said Officers and Privates respectively, with the Treasurer of this State, as so much of the one fourth Part of what shall appear on Adjustment, to be due to them on account of Depreciation, and which is by a Law passed this Day, directed to be paid them on the first Day of *March* next, the said Commissioners to be accountable for the Disbursements of the said Sum of Money to the Treasurer of this State.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Schenck* and Mr. *Hoagland* do carry the above Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Governor came into Council.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for regulating, training, and arraying of the Militia, and for providing more effectually for the Defence and Security of the State,’ with the Amendments were read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill as amended do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Manning* do carry the said Bill and Amendments to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence in the said Amendments.

Mr. *Manning* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Scudder* and Mr. *Marsh*, in the Words following :

**W**HEREAS the Legislature have received authentick Information, that in Consequence of the due Execution of the Laws of this State upon certain Persons in the County of *Monmouth*, for wilful Murder and Horse-stealing for the Enemy, a certain *Thomas Croswell*, styling himself a Captain of the King’s Militia Volunteers, has procured Mr. *Hendrick Snock*, Mr. *Hendrick Johnson* and Mr. *John Tonor*, good Citizens of  
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‘ the said County, to be confined in Irons in the lower Dungeon of the Prison in New-York, threatening that they shall share the same Fate with the Criminals executed within the said County on the third Instant; and as the said *Croceall* has also ordered Lieutenant-Colonel *John Smock* immediately to repair to New-York, probably with a Design of treating him in some similar Way,

‘ *Resolved*, That if through the Influence or Procurement of the said *Thomas Croceall*, or any other Person, the said *Hendrick Smock*, *Hendrick Johnson* and *John Toner*, or either of them, or any other of our good Citizens, Prisoners with the Enemy, shall be subjected to a Treatment more cruel and severe than what is customary in the Course of Imprisonment in similar Cases, and the same be effected on Account of the due Execution of our Laws upon any of our Subjects after a fair and legal Trial had by their Country, and continued after this Resolution shall be known; then and in such Case this Legislature will, to the utmost Effect, and as nearly as possible, in a similar Way, retaliate all such ill-directed and unwarrantable Severities upon such Objects within their Power, as their Wisdom and Prudence shall from Time to Time, and as Necessity may require, direct, which Line of Conduct they will firmly pursue, until their Enemies shall cease to intermeddle with the Execution of their Laws, and be taught to confine themselves in military Matters, within the Line of regular military Conduct.

‘ *Resolved*, That the Commissary-General of Prisoners be directed to cause three of the Prisoners of War belonging to this State, to be immediately confined in Irons, and treated in all Respects in the same Manner as the said *Hendrick Smock*, *Hendrick Johnson* and *John Toner*, shall be treated by the Enemy; and in case of any severe Treatment to the said Lieutenant-Colonel *John Smock*, to select a fourth Prisoner as aforesaid, and cause him in all Respects to undergo the same to the fullest Effect.

‘ *Resolved*, That the Commissary-General of Prisoners be requested to transmit a Copy of these Resolutions as speedily as may be, to the *British* Commissary of Prisoners;

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Seudder* and Mr. *Marsh* do carry the foregoing Resolutions to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The House adjourned till Ten o’Clock Monday Morning.

Monday, January 8, 1781.

The House met—Present as before.

A Message from the House of Assembly, dated the sixth Instant, by Mr. *Van-Cleve* and Mr. *Schenck*, in the Words following:

‘ *Resolved*,  
‘ **T**HAT *Rensselaer Williams*, Esquire, of the County of *Hunterdon*, be, and he hereby is appointed and directed to take Charge of the Barracks at *Trenton*, and to close up the Doors and Windows thereof, as well to prevent the same (as far as may be in his Power) from being damaged, as to render them the more comfortable for quartering of Troops, and that he be empowered to draw on the Treasurer of the State for the Time being, for any Sum not exceeding *Twenty Pounds*, to defray such Expence as he may incur in this Behalf, and the Receipt of the said *Rensselaer Williams* shall be a sufficient Voucher to the Treasurer for such Sums as he may draw for the above Purpose, in the Settlement of his Accounts.

‘ *Resolved*, That the said *Rensselaer Williams* lay an Account of such Expenditures, with his Vouchers to support the same, before the Legislature at their next Sitting, for their Allowance and Settlement, and that he be allowed such Compensation for his Time and Trouble as the Legislature shall deem reasonable.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Van-Cleve* and Mr. *Schenck* do carry the said Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to extend the Power of the Collectors in receiving certain Certificates in Payment of Taxes,’ with the Amendments, was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill as amended do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas:	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nay.
Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Lazarence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Grieps</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cooper</i> .
Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Frelinghuysen</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stevens</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Taliman</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> .	

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*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the said Bill and Amendments.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cripps* do carry the said Bill and Amendments to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence in the said Amendments.

Mr. *Cripps* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Ewing* and Mr. *Freeman*, in the Words following :

“ THE House having taken into Consideration the Amendments made by the Council to the Bill, intituled, “ An Act for regulating, training, and arraying of the Militia, and for providing more effectually for the Defence and Security of the State,”

“ *Resolved*, That the House agree to the 3d, 4th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th Amendments made to the said Bill, and in other Respects adhere to their Bill.

“ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Ewing* and Mr. *Freeman* do carry the said Bill to the Council, and acquaint them therewith.”

The Council having taken into Consideration the said Bill and Amendments,

*Resolved*, That this House recede from their Amendments made to the said Bill, and rejected by the House of Assembly.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Dey* do carry back to the House of Assembly the said Bill and Amendments, and acquaint them of the above Resolution.

Mr. *Dey* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to raise a Fund by Loan for discharging the Bounty to be paid to the Troops required by Congress as the Quota of this State,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Blanch* and Mr. *Sparks*, in the Words following :

“ THE House having taken into Consideration the Amendments made by the Council to the Bill, intituled, “ An Act to extend the Powers of the Collectors in receiving certain Certificates in Payment of Taxes;”

“ *Resolved*, That the House agree to the 1st, 6th, 7th, 8th, 10th, 12th, 14th, 15th and 16th Amendments made to the said Bill, and in other Respects adhere to their Bill;

“ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Blanch* and Mr. *Sparks* do carry the said Bill to the Council, and acquaint them therewith.”

The Council having taken the said Bill and Amendments into Consideration,

*Resolved*, That the House recede from their Amendments made to the said Bill, and rejected by the House of Assembly.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Symmes* do carry back to the House of Assembly the said Bill and Amendments, and acquaint them with the above Resolution.

Mr. *Symmes* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to confirm the Last Will and Testament of *Abraham Van NESTE*, Esq. of *Millstone*,’ &c. was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Message from the House of Assembly of the 28th of *December* last, relative to requesting Mr. *Hughes* to cause the Copper-plate Print representing the Origin of the *Swiss* Liberties to be set in a Frame, &c.

*Resolved*, That the House concur in the Resolution therein contained;

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lawrence* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Message from the House of Assembly of the 6th Instant, relative to authorizing the Honourable *James Caldwell* and *Frederick Frelinghuysen*, Esquires, and *John Mehelm*, Esq. Commissioners, &c. to draw from the Treasury Two Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds lawful Money;

*Resolved*, That the House do concur in the Resolution therein contained;

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lawrence* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Lawrence* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Message from the House of Assembly of the 6th Instant, relative to appointing *Rensselaer Williams*, Esq. to take Charge of the Barracks at *Trenton*;

*Resolved*,



*Resolved*, That the House do concur in the Resolution therein contained ;

*Ordered*, That Mr. Symmes do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them there-with.

Mr. Symmes reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. Trent and Mr. Lindfly, from the House of Assembly, brought to this House, the re-engrossed Bill, intituled, 'An Act for the regulating, training, and arraying of the Militia, and for providing more effectually for the Defence and Security of the State,' and acquainted this House that the same was passed by the House of Assembly, with the Amendments made by this House ; which re-engrossed Bill having been read and compared,

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to raise a Fund by Loan for discharging the Bounty to be paid to the Troops required by Congress as the Quota of this State,' was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Symmes do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them there-with.

Mr. Symmes reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to provide for the Payment of the several Officers of the Government of the State of New-Jersey, to commence the 13th Day of October, 1780, and to end the second Tuesday in October, 1781 ;' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

Mr. Symmes, from the Committee appointed to examine and settle such publick Accounts as might be referred to them during the Sitting of the Legislature, acquainted the House that he was ready to report, when the House would be pleased to receive the same ;

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made immediately :

Whereupon Mr. Symmes reported, that there is due to the several Persons under-named, the Sums annexed to their respective Names, *viz.*

No. 1. To Doctor Thomas Henderfon, for attending upon and dressing Garret Hendrickson, wounded in the Service,		£.	13	10	0
2. To John Phillips, for sundry Expences incurred whilst Sick in the Service,			13	16	0
3. To Kenneth Anderfon, Clerk of the County of Monmouth, for registering sundry Certificates of Half-pay, and procuring a Book for that Purpose,			1	11	3
4. To John Vandorn, for a Gun and Accoutrements lost in the Service,			2	15	0
5. To Benjamin Arrowsmith, for a Gun and Accoutrements lost in the Service,			2	15	0
6. To Jacob Phillips, Sheriff of the County of Burlington, for sundry Expences in conveying six Prisoners from Burlington to Morrisfosen, in Aug. 1780,			12	0	0
7. To Ditto, for the Amount of a Blacksmith's Bill for making sundry Irons for Prisoners,			5	14	9
8. To Ditto, for Boarding five Prisoners,			2	5	0
9. To Samuel How, late Barrackmaster of Burlington, for his Salary and repairing the Barracks,			21	7	7
10. To Thomas Ewing, Esq. for the Use of William Kelsey, Esq. Sheriff of the County of Cumberland, for providing for a Number of Prisoners in the Gaol of the said County, and his Expences in conveying two of them to the Commissary of Prisoners,			17	12	6
11. To Doctor Matthias Pierfon, for attending upon and dressing Aaron King, wounded in the Service,			8	11	3
12. To Ditto, for attending and dressing James Jerolman, wounded in the Service,			23	0	6
13. To Ditto for attending Peter Vanwinkle, wounded in the Service,			0	10	0
14. To Doctor John Condict, for attending upon and dressing James Jerolman, wounded in the Service,			36	16	0
15. To Ditto, for attending upon and dressing John Baldwin, wounded in the Service,			4	9	0
16. To Ditto, for attending and dressing Jedediah Freeman, wounded in the Service,			6	15	0
17. To Ditto, for attending and dressing Thomas Havens, wounded in the Service,			4	4	0
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18. To Ditto, for attending and dressing <i>Joshua Shaw</i> , wounded in the Service,	3	10	0
19. To <i>Ralph Price</i> , for Boarding State Prisoners,	24	0	0
20. To <i>William Van-Deusen</i> , for conveying Cartridges from the State Magazine, for the Use of the second <i>Middlesex</i> Battalion,	1	2	6
21. To <i>Jacob Phillips</i> , for Boarding State Prisoners, <i>October</i> , 1780,	2	0	0
22. To Doctor <i>John Condict</i> , for attending upon and dressing <i>John Johnson</i> , wounded in the Service,	12	4	6
23. To <i>William Scudder</i> , for Expences sending Expresses by Order of His Excellency the Governor,	3	9	0
24. To <i>John Webster</i> , for erecting a Beacon on the <i>Short-Hills</i> , by Order of His Excellency the Governor,	17	17	9
25. To <i>Jonathan Elmer</i> , Esq. for registering sundry Certificates of Half-pay, and for a Book for that Purpose,	1	10	0
26. To His Excellency the Governor, for Cash paid <i>Joseph Jenkins</i> , for riding Express, as per Account,	5	11	0
27. To <i>John Gilman</i> , jun. wounded in the Service, for Board, Nursing, and Doctor's Bill,	20	0	0
28. To Doctor <i>Thomas Henderson</i> , for Medicine and Attendance for <i>Nicholas Stevens</i> , a Continental Soldier, <i>September</i> , 1779,	2	6	6
29. To Ditto, for attending upon and dressing <i>J. Compton</i> , wounded in the Service	2	17	6

A Message was received from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Blanch* and Mr. *Sparks*, with a Copy of the foregoing Report, in the Words following :

‘ THE House having considered the said Report,

‘ *Resolved*, That the Treasurer be directed and empowered to pay to the Persons therein named, the Sums allowed to them respectively ;

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Blanch* and Mr. *Sparks* do carry the said Resolution to the Council, for their Concurrence.’

*Tuesday, January 9, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for striking the Sum of *Thirty Thousand Pounds* in Bills of Credit, of the Denomination of *Seven Shillings and Six-pence* and under, and directing the Mode for redeeming the same,’ was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nay.
Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cripps</i> ,	Mr. <i>Frelinghuysen</i> .
Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Tallman</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stevens</i> .	
Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cooper</i> ,		

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Manning* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House.

Mr. *Scudder* and Mr. *Smith*, from the House of Assembly, brought to this House, the re-engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to extend the Powers of the Collectors in receiving certain Certificates in Payment of Taxes,’ and acquainted this House that the same was passed by the House of Assembly, with the Amendments made thereto by this House ; which re-engrossed Bill having been read and compared,

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

They also presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for defraying sundry Incidental Charges ;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Scudder* and Mr. *Smith*, in the Words following :

‘ *Resolved*,

‘ THAT *Isaac Collins*, Printer, be directed to insert in his News-Paper, a Copy of the Act, intituled, “ An Act to extend the Power of the Collectors in receiving certain Certificates in Payment of Taxes,” and to strike off one hundred and fifty extra Papers on that Account, to be forwarded to the Counties where his News-Papers do not generally circulate.

‘ *Ordered*,

‘ Ordered, That Mr. Scudder and Mr. Smith do carry the foregoing Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Council having taken the foregoing Message into Consideration,

*Resolved*, That the House do concur in the Resolution therein contained ;

*Ordered*, That Mr. Manning do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to provide for the Payment of the several Officers of the Government of the State of *New-Jersey*, to commence the 13th Day of *October*, 1780, and to end the second *Tuesday* in *October*, 1781, inclusive,’ was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Manning do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for defraying sundry Incidental Charges,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. Scudder and Mr. Smith, in the Words following :

‘ *Resolved*,

‘ **T**HAT *Isaac Collins* be directed to print five thousand Blank Certificates for the Use of the Collectors of the several Townships, Precincts and Wards in this State, as directed in an Act, intituled, “ An Act to extend the Power of Collectors in receiving certain Certificates in Payment of Taxes,” passed the eighth Day of *January*, 1781.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. Scudder and Mr. Smith do carry the said Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Council having taken into Consideration the foregoing Message,

*Resolved*, That the House concur in the Resolution therein contained ;

*Ordered*, That Mr. Manning do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Whereas there has been some Uneasiness among the non-commissioned Officers and Privates in the *New-Jersey* Brigade, and no Mode having been hitherto adopted for hearing and determining upon the Grounds of such Uneasiness ; the Legislature being desirous to extend Relief to every aggrieved Citizen of this State ; Therefore,

*Resolved*, That the Honourable *James Caldwell* and *Frederick Frelinghuysen*, Esquires, and *John Mehelm*, Esq. or any two of them, be a Committee, who are hereby authorized and directed to proceed to the Quarters of the *New-Jersey* Brigade, and if it shall appear to them that the Uneasiness is such as renders an Enquiry expedient, they shall proceed to hear the Complaints of such Soldiers as claim their Discharge in Consequence of having served the Term of their Enlistments ; and if, after having obtained all the Information necessary or practicable, they shall be of Opinion any Soldier has served the Term for which he engaged, they shall certify their Opinion to the Commanding Officer of the Regiment to which such Soldier belongs ; and it is hereby recommended to the said Commanding Officer to discharge him accordingly.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Manning do wait on the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence in the above Resolution.

Mr. Manning reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for defraying sundry Incidental Charges,’ was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Frelinghuysen do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to confirm the Last Will and Testament of *Abraham Van NESTE*, Esq. of *Millstone*, in the County of *Somerset*, and State of *New-Jersey*, deceased,’ was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cripps</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cosper</i> ,
Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Frelinghuysen</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stearns</i> .	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .
Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Tallman</i> ,		

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Frelinghuysen* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. *Frelinghuysen* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Van-Cleve* and Mr. *Sparks*, in the Words following :

MR. *Carle*, from the Committee to whom was referred the Letter from Col. *Asher Holmes*, of 27th *December* last, and the Petition of Major *John Goetschies*, and the Officers of the Detachment under his Command, dated 16th of the same Month, together with the Letter of Mr. *Isaac Halfey*, Paymaster of the Militia of *Effex* and *Middlesex*, dated 8th *November* last, reported as follows :

That it is the Opinion of the Committee, that as the Troops raised in Pursuance of the Act of the 7th *June* last, for the Defence of the Frontiers, have received very considerable private Bounties, they will receive on the Whole a much more ample Compensation than the Rest of the Militia, if paid agreeably to the Law by which they are embodied, and at the present Exchange between Continental Currency and the lawful Money ; but as the Pay has not been received, and the Time of Service was nearly completed before the Passing of the Act for raising the Value of the lawful Money, or new Bills of Credit, they ought, in the Opinion of the Committee, to be paid at the Rate of one for forty in the said Bills : That a Sum of Money proportioned to the Number of the said Troops in the several Counties of *Bergen*, *Effex*, *Middlesex* and *Monmouth*, ought to be advanced to the Paymaster of the Militia of the said Counties respectively, as soon as the State of the Treasury will admit, in order that all Arrears due to the said Troops may be discharged.

By Order of the Committee,

JOHN CARLE.

To which the House agreed.

Therefore Resolved, That the said Troops do receive their Bounty and Pay in the said Bills of Credit, at the Rate of *One Dollar to Forty Dollars* in Continental Currency, in Payrolls made out with Accuracy and Precision, as to the Services actually performed, and duly authenticated according to Law.

Ordered, That Mr. *Van-Cleve* and Mr. *Sparks* do carry the said Resolution and Report to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Van-Cleve* and Mr. *Sparks*, in the Words following :

THE House having taken into Consideration the Message from the Council of this Day, by Mr. *Manning*,

Resolved, That the House do concur in the Resolution therein contained ;

Ordered, That Mr. *Van-Cleve* and Mr. *Sparks* do carry the foregoing Resolution to the Council.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Marsh* and Mr. *Bunn*, in the Words following :

Resolved,

THAT *Elias Woodruff*, Esq. Commissary of Military Stores, be authorized and directed to draw from the Treasury of this State during the Recess of the Legislature, the Sum of *Five Hundred Pounds* lawful Money, for the Purchase of Ammunition for the Use of the State, and to cause the same as soon as possible to be made up into proper Cartridges.

Ordered, That Mr. *Marsh* and Mr. *Bunn* do carry the above Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.

The Council having taken the foregoing Message into Consideration,

Resolved, That the House concur in the Resolution therein contained ;

Ordered, That Mr. *Lawrence* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Lawrence* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Honourable *Josiah Hornblower*, Esq. Speaker of the House of Assembly, came into Council, and acquainted the President that the House of Assembly were adjourned to *Tuesday* the 15th Day of *May* next, then to meet at *Princeton*.

Whereupon the Council adjourned to meet at the same Time and Place.

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**B**Y *Virtue* of an *Order* of the COUNCIL, I do appoint *Isaac Collins* to print these Journals.

WIL. LIVINGSTON, *President.*

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P R I N C E T O N, *Tuesday, May 15, 1781.*

P R E S E N T,  
Mr. CALDWELL,  
Mr. CONDUCT,  
Mr. HAND.

There not being a sufficient Number of Members to proceed to Business—adjourned till To-morrow Afternoon Three o’Clock.

*Wednesday, May 16, 1781.*

P R E S E N T,  
His Excellency the GOVERNOR,  
Mr. STEVENS, Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN,  
Mr. CALDWELL, Mr. CONDUCT,  
Mr. MANNING, Mr. COOPER.  
Mr. LAWRENCE,

*Jesse Hand*, Esq. produced a Certificate of his being duly elected, which was read, and he thereupon made and subscribed the Oaths required by Law before the Hon. *John Stevens*, Esq. and took his Seat in Council.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Nine o’Clock.

*Thursday, May 17, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before, and Mr. *Elmer*.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Caldwell*, and Mr. *Frelinghuysen* be a Committee to prepare and bring in a Bill to authorize Congress to lay a Duty on Goods imported.

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The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Nine o'Clock.

*Friday, May 18, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before.

A Petition from the Commissioners of the Loan-Office in *Morris* County, praying Direction from the Legislature relative to the Receipt of Monies, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Lawrence* has Leave of Absence until next *Tuesday* Morning.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock, P. M.

The House met.

A Message was received from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Sexton* and Mr. *Winds*, in the Words following :

‘Ordered,  
‘**T**HAT Mr. *Sexton* and Mr. *Winds* do wait on the Council, and inform them that  
‘a Quorum of the Assembly have met, and this Day proceeded to Business.

A Petition was presented from sundry Inhabitants of *Pitts-Grove*, *Salem* County, praying a Repeal of the Tender-Acts ; which was read and ordered a second Reading.

The Petition from the Commissioners of the Loan-Office in *Morris* County was read a second Time;

Ordered, That Mr. *Elmer* prepare and bring in a Bill to answer the Prayer of the said Petition.

Ordered, That Mr. *Cooper* and Mr. *Condict* be a Committee to prepare and bring in a Bill with a Scale of Depreciation for regulating the Payment of all Debts in this State.

A Message was received from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Freeman* and Mr. *Whilden*, in the Words following :

‘Ordered,  
‘**T**HAT Mr. *Scudder*, Mr. *Wilson*, Mr. *Camp*, Mr. *Van-Cleve* and Mr. *Lindfly*, with  
‘such other Members as choose to attend, be a Committee to join a Committee of  
‘Council, in a free Conference on the Subject-Matter contained in sundry Papers relating  
‘to Finance and Supplies for the Army, and for the Treasury of the United States, accom-  
‘panying the Governor’s Message of this Day to this House ; and that Mr. *Freeman* and Mr.  
‘*Whilden* do wait on the Council, and request them to appoint a Committee to join a Com-  
‘mittee of this House for that Purpose, together with the Time and Place of Meeting.

The House adjourned till Nine o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Saturday, May 19, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before, and Mr. *Symmes*.

Ordered, That Mr. *Manning*, Mr. *Condict*, and Mr. *Caldwell*, with such other Members as choose to attend, be a Committee to join a Committee of the Assembly in a free Conference on the Subjects contained in their Message of Yesterday ; that they meet at the House of Mr. *Beckman* at Ten o’Clock this Day ; and that Mr. *Symmes* do wait on the Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Symmes* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Committee of Conference has Leave to withdraw.

The House adjourned till *Monday* Morning Ten o’Clock.

*Monday, May 21, 1781.*

The House met.

P R E S E N T,

## P R E S E N T,

His Excellency the GOVERNOR.

Mr. MANNING,	Mr. CONDUCT,	Mr. ELMER,
Mr. HAND,	Mr. CALDWELL,	Mr. TALLMAN.
Mr. SYMMES,	Mr. COOPER,	

Mr. *Cooper*, with Leave of the House, brought in a Bill, intituled, 'A Supplement to the Act, intituled, 'An Act for regulating Fences,' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cooper* and Mr. *Hand* be a Committee to revise the Transcript of the Journals of this House for the two last Sittings, and that after such Revision the President or Vice-President direct *Isaac Collins* to print them.

Mr. *Elmer*, pursuant to Order, brought in a Bill, intituled, 'An Act to repeal Part of an Act, intituled, An Act for suspending the Sale of Lands, mortgaged to the Commissioners of the Loan Offices, and to ascertain the Value of the Money loaned by said Commissioners since the first Day of *January*, 1777,' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Committee of Conference had Leave to withdraw.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Nine o'Clock

*Tuesday, May 22, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before, and Mr. *Stevens*.

The Bill, intituled, 'A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act for regulating Fences,' was read a second Time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. *Condict*, from the Committee appointed to bring in a Bill with a Scale of Depreciation for regulating the Payments of Debts, brought in a Bill, intituled, 'A Supplement to an Act, intituled, An Act for ascertaining the Value of the Continental Currency in the Payment of Debts;' which was read and ordered a second Reading.

The Committee of Conference had Leave to withdraw.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock, *P. M.*

The House met.

The Committee of Conference had Leave to withdraw.

The House adjourned till Nine o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Wednesday, May 23, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before, and Mr. *Lawrence*.

Mr. *Caldwell*, from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill to authorize Congress to lay a Duty on Goods imported, brought in a Bill according to Order, intituled 'An Act to enable the Congress of the United States to levy Duties of *Five per Centum*, *ad Valorem*, on certain Goods and Merchandize imported into this State, and on Prizes and Prize-Goods, and for appropriating the same,' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, 'An Act to declare and ascertain the Privileges of the Subjects of His Most Christian Majesty residing within this State,' referred to this Sitting; and, after some Time spent therein, was committed to Mr. *Elmer* and Mr. *Symmes*.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, 'A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act for regulating Fences,' was read and compared;

On the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*  
*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cooper* do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. *Cooper* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock, *P. M.*

The House met.

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants living at *Minisink*, in the County of *Suffex*, setting forth, that a Number of *Indians* are collecting on the *Pennsylvania* Side of the River, from whom they are apprehensive of being cut off, and praying that one hundred Men may be raised for their Defence, was read, and sent to the House of Assembly.

The Bill, intituled, 'A Supplement to an Act, intituled, An Act for ascertaining the Value of the Continental Currency in the Payment of Debts,' was read a second Time, and the further Consideration thereof postponed.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Nine o'Clock.

*Thursday, May 24, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *Manning*, from the Committee appointed on the 19th Instant, to join a Committee of the House of Assembly, in a free Conference on the Subject-Matters contained in sundry Papers relating to Finance, &c. reported, that he was ready to make Report when the House would please to receive the same;

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made immediately:

Whereupon Mr. *Manning* read the said Report in his Place, and delivered it in at the Table; and the said Report being again read, was approved of by the House, and is as follows:

**Y**OUR Committee appointed to join a Committee of the House of Assembly, in a free Conference on the Subject-Matters contained in sundry Papers relating to Finance and Supplies for the Army, and for the Treasury of the United States, beg Leave to report,

1st. That a Law be passed to repeal such Parts of the Acts of the General Assembly now in Force as make the Bills of Credit emitted on the Faith of this State a legal Tender, and to direct the Treasurer not to issue any of the said Bills of Credit otherwise than at Par with Gold and Silver, and also enacting that whenever any Debtor shall tender the Amount of his Debt to his Creditor in the said Bills of Credit, and the Creditor shall refuse to receive it, the Debtor may deposit the same in the Treasury of the State, taking the Treasurer's Receipt therefor, which shall be a Discharge to the Debtor, and the Creditor shall be entitled to draw the Amount of such Debt, so deposited, with Interest, from the Treasury either in the said Bills of Credit or in Gold and Silver, whenever the State of the Treasury will admit thereof.

2d. That a Tax equal to the Exigencies of the current Year be levied in specific Supplies, or hard Money.

3d. That another Tax be also levied in Paper-Money or Certificates.

4th. That all Restrictions be taken off from Trade, except with the Enemies of this and the United States.

*By Order of the Committee,*

BENJAMIN MANNING,  
NATHL. SCUDDER.

Mr. *Cooper*, with Leave of the House, brought in a Bill, intituled, 'An Act for raising the Penalties on delinquent Freeholders, and on Persons refusing to serve as Constables,' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Hand*, with Leave of the House, brought in a Bill, intituled, 'An Act to prevent the Waste of Timber,' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Martin* and Mr. *Shreve*, in the Words following:

*Ordered.*

‘ Ordered,  
‘ THAT Mr. *Martin* and Mr. *Sbreve* do carry the Bill, intitled, “ A Supplement to the Act, intitled, An Act for regulating Fences,” to the Council, and inform them the same is passed by this House without Amendment.’

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intitled ‘ An Act to enable the Congress of the United States to levy Duties of *Five per Centum, ad Valorem*, on certain Goods and Merchandize imported into this State, and on Prizes and Prize-Goods, and for appropriating the same,’ was read a second Time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. *Elmer*, from the Committee to whom was committed the Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act to declare and ascertain the Privileges of the Subjects of His Most Christian Majesty residing within this State,’ reported, that they had gone through the said Bill, and made sundry Amendments thereto, which he was ready to report when the House would be pleased to receive the same;

Ordered, That the said Report be made immediately :

Whereupon Mr. *Elmer* read the said Amendments in his Place, and delivered them in at the Table, and on the Question,

Resolved, That the said Bill, as amended, do pass.

Ordered, That the President sign the said Bill and Amendments.

Ordered, That Mr. *Elmer* do carry the said Bill and Amendments to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence in the said Amendments.

Mr. *Elmer* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Nine o’Clock, To-morrow Morning.

Friday, May 25, 1781.

The House met—Present as before, and Mr. *Frelinghuysen*.

The engrossed Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act to enable the Congress of the United States to levy Duties of *Five per Centum, ad Valorem* on certain Goods and Merchandize imported into this State, and on Prizes and Prize-Goods, and for appropriating the same,’ was read and compared ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Lawrence* do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

A Message was received from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Lindsly* and Mr. *Freeman*, in the Words following :

‘ Ordered,

‘ THAT Mr. *Lindsly* and Mr. *Freeman* do carry the Warrant entitling Captain *Daniel Baldwin* to draw Half-Pay to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Council having taken the said Warrant into Consideration,

Resolved, That the House concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *Lawrence* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Ordered, That Mr. *Caldwell*, Mr. *Symmes* and Mr. *Frelinghuysen*, be a Committee to prepare and bring in a Bill for repealing the Acts now in Force, making the Bills of Credit emitted on the Faith of the State, a legal Tender.

Mr. *Lawrence* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act for raising the Penalties on delinquent Freeholders, and on Persons refusing to serve as Constables,’ was read a second Time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intitled, ‘ A Supplement to an Act, intitled,

‘titled, An Act for ascertaining the Value of the Continental Currency in the Payment of Debts;’ and, after some Time spent therein, the same was ordered to be engrossed.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock, *P. M.*

The House met.

A Message was received from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Marfb* and Mr. *Suidam*, in the Words following :

‘Ordered,

‘THAT Mr. *Marfb* and Mr. *Suidam* do carry the re-engrossed Bill, entitled, ‘An Act to declare and ascertain the Privileges of the Subjects of His Most Christian Majesty, residing within this State,’ to the Council, and inform them, that the same is passed by the House with their Amendments.’

And the said re-engrossed Bill having been read and compared,

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Mr. *Marfb* and Mr. *Suidam* from the House of Assembly, presented to this House for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to revive and amend an Act, intituled, An Act more effectually to apprehend and bring to Justice, Persons charged with certain atrocious Offences against the Peace of the State,’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘A Supplement to an Act, intituled, An Act for ascertaining the Value of the Continental Currency in the Payment of Debts,’ was read and compared; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nay.
Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Tallman</i> ,	Mr. <i>Condict</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cooper</i> .
Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hand</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stevens</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .	
Mr. <i>Frelinghuysen</i> ,			

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Manning* do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for raising the Penalties on delinquent Freeholders, and on Persons refusing to serve as Constables,’ was read and compared; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nay.
Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Tallman</i> ,	Mr. <i>Condict</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stevens</i> .
Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cooper</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hand</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Frelinghuysen</i> ,			

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Manning* do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. *Manning* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The House adjourned till Nine o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Saturday, May 26, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to prevent the Waste of Timber,’ was read a second Time; and, after some Time spent therein, was committed to Mr. *Symmes*.

The House adjourned till Nine o’Clock, *Monday Morning*.

*Monday, May 28, 1781.*

The House met.

P R E S E N T.

His Excellency the GOVERNOR.

Mr. CALDWELL,	Mr. CONDUCT.	Mr. SYMMES,
Mr. ELMER,	Mr. MANNING,	Mr. COOPER.
Mr. HAND,		

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The two following Messages, dated the 26th Instant, was received from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Camp* and Mr. *Blanch*, in the Words following :

‘ **W**HEREAS the Legislature has received Information, that the Troops raised by Law for the Defence of the Frontiers of the Counties of *Bergen*, *Essex* and *Middlesex*, are in Distress for Want of Provisions, therefore,

‘ *Resolved*, That the Superintendent of Purchases of this State be directed and required to draw from the Treasury the Sum of *One Thousand Pounds* for the Purpose of purchasing and transporting Cattle, Beef, Pork or Mutton and Flour for the Use of the State Troops, stationed in the Counties of *Bergen*, *Essex* and *Middlesex*, and that the said Sum of Money be lodged in the Hands of the Contractor of the County of *Somerset*, or of the Contractor of any other County where such Supplies may be attainable, and applied solely to the Purposes aforesaid, and that he cause the same to be immediately forwarded and delivered to the Persons appointed as Quartermasters to the said Detachments respectively, whose Receipts shall be sufficient Vouchers to the purchasing Contractors, for the Delivery of such Supplies, and that the Receipt of the Superintendent shall be a sufficient Voucher to the Treasurer for the Sum so drawn.

‘ *Resolved*, That in the Expenditure of the said Sum, the said Superintendent be enjoined to give Directions to the Contractors in nowise to pay a greater Price for any Article, or Service than he hath heretofore allowed in Certificates to Persons in similar Cases, as the Legislature is determined to redeem at full Value of Gold and Silver, all and every of the Bills of Credit, issued on the Faith of this State, which have been or shall be issued from the Treasury of the same.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Camp* and Mr. *Blanch* do carry the foregoing Resolutions to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.

‘ *Resolved*, That *Elias Woodruff*, Esq. Commissary of Military Stores, be authorized and directed to draw from the Treasury of this State, for the Use of his Department, such Sums of Money from Time to Time, as Occasion may require, so that the Whole exceed not the Sum of *One Thousand Pounds*, exclusive of the Sum which the said *Elias Woodruff* has actually drawn during the last Recess of the Legislature, and that his Receipt be a sufficient Voucher to the Treasurer for the Expenditure of so much of the publick Money in his Settlement with the State.

‘ *Resolved*, That the said *Elias Woodruff* be, and he hereby is authorized and empowered to use such Means for procuring a sufficient Quantity of Lead and other Ammunition for the Use of the State as he may find necessary from Time to Time, either by Barter or otherwise, and that he be allowed all reasonable Expences that may be necessarily incurred, in carrying this Resolution into Effect.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Camp* and Mr. *Blanch* do carry the above Resolutions to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

Mr. *Caldwell*, with Leave of the House, brought in a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to attain certain Persons therein named of High Treason,’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Symmes*, to whom was referred the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to prevent the Waste of Timber,’ reported, that he had gone through the said Bill, and made sundry Amendments thereto, which he was ready to report whenever the House would be pleased to receive the same ;

*Ordered*, That the said Report be made immediately :

Whereupon Mr. *Symmes* read the said Amendments in his Place, and delivered them in at the Table ; and the said Amendments being again read, were agreed to, and the said Bill with the Amendments ordered to be engrossed.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. *Eimer*, with Leave of the House, brought in a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to direct the Naval Officers in clearing out Vessels in any of the Ports of this State ;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to prevent the Waste of Timber ;’ was read and compared ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

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*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Hand* do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. *Hand* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intitled, ‘An Act to revive and amend an Act, intitled, An Act more effectually to apprehend and bring to Justice, Persons charged with certain atrocious Offences against the Peace of the State,’ was read a second Time, and several Amendments made thereto.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill and Amendments be read a third Time.

Mr. *Hoagland* and Mr. *Bunn*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intitled, ‘An Act to alter, amend and confirm, the Charter of *Queen’s College*, in *New-Jersey*,’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Marlb* and Mr. *Camp*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intitled, ‘An Act for incorporating fundry Persons, Inhabitants of the Western Parts of the Township of *Newark*, in the County of *Effex*, as Trustees for the Congregation to which they belong, by the Name of *The Trustees of the second Presbyterian Church in Newark* ;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

His Excellency Governor *Livingston* having laid before Council a Map of the Western Parts of *Virginia*, *Maryland*, *Pennsylvania* and *North-Carolina*, &c. with a topographical Description of the Parts contained in the Map, sent as a Present to the Council by the Author, Captain *Thomas Hutchins* ;

On Motion,

*Ordered*, That his Excellency the Governor be requested to transmit the Thanks of this Council to Captain *Hutchins*, for the same.

The House adjourned till Nine o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Tuesday, May 29, 1781.*

The House met.

P R E S E N T,

His Excellency the GOVERNOR,

Mr. COOPER,	Mr. LAWRENCE,	Mr. TALLMAN,
Mr. CALDWELL,	Mr. DEY,	Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN,
Mr. CONDUCT,	Mr. HAND,	Mr. SYMMES.
Mr. ELMER,	Mr. MANNING,	

A Petition from fundry Persons in the County of *Monmouth*, praying a Repeal of the Tender-Laws, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Petition from fundry Inhabitants of *Pitts-Grove*, *Salem County*, praying a Repeal of the Tender-Acts, was read a second Time, and sent to the House of Assembly.

A Petition from Col. *David Potter*, praying that the Depreciation of his Pay may be made up to him, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intitled, ‘An Act to revive and amend an Act, intitled, An Act more effectually to apprehend and bring to Justice, Persons charged with certain atrocious Offences against the Peace of the State,’ with the Amendments, was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill, as amended, do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Dey* do carry the said Bill and Amendments to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence in the said Amendments.

Mr. *Dey* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intitled, ‘An Act to direct the Naval Officers in clearing out Vessels in any of the Ports of this State ;’ was read a second Time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The engrossed Bill, intitled, ‘An Act to direct the Naval Officers in clearing out Vessels in any of the Ports of this State,’ was read and compared ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*,



*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Condict* do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. *Condict* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Petition from sundry Inhabitants of the County of *Moxmouth*, praying a Repeal of the Tender-Laws, was read a second Time, and sent to the House of Assembly.

The House adjourned till Nine o'Clock, To-morrow Morning.

*Wednesday, May 30, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before, and Mr. *Stevens*.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Kay* and Mr. *Sparks*, in the Words following :

‘ *Ordered*,  
‘ **T**HAT Mr. *Kay* and Mr. *Sparks* do carry the Warrant entitling *William Campbell*, a  
‘ wounded Serjeant, to draw Half-Pay, to the Council, and request their Concurrence  
‘ therein.’

The Council having taken into Consideration the aforesaid Warrant,

*Resolved*, That the House concur therein.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Symmes* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Symmes* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Walling* and Mr. *Lambert*, in the Words following :

‘ *Ordered*,  
‘ **T**HAT Mr. *Walling* and Mr. *Lambert* do carry to Council, the re-engrossed Bill, in-  
‘ titled, “ An Act to revive and amend an Act, intituled, An Act more effectually to  
‘ apprehend and bring to Justice, Persons charged with certain atrocious Offences against  
‘ the Peace of the State,” and inform them, that the same is passed by this House with their  
‘ Amendments ;’

Which re-engrossed Bill, having been read and compared,

*Resolved*, That the President do sign the same.

Mr. *Winds* and Mr. *Ogden*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to preserve the Buildings in this State, belonging to the United States, from being destroyed, and for the Punishment of those that shall seize or injure the same ;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Winds* and Mr. *Ogden*, in the Words following :

‘ **W**HEREAS there is not a sufficient Supply of Ammunition at present in the Magazine  
‘ of this State, and as it may be impracticable to procure a Quantity by Purchase in  
‘ Season to answer any sudden Emergency, therefore,

‘ *Resolved*, That His Excellency the Governor be requested immediately to apply to  
‘ His Excellency General *Washington* on Behalf of the State, and to request him to give  
‘ Directions for the Delivery of Thirty Thousand Musket-Cartridges of different Sizes out  
‘ of the Continental Magazine, for the Use of the Militia of this State, if the same can be  
‘ done in a Consistency with the Views of His Excellency ; and that *Elias Woodruff*, Esq.  
‘ Commissary of Military Stores, in case of General *Washington*’s Compliance with the said  
‘ Request, be directed to receipt for the said Ammunition, to provide for the Conveyance  
‘ thereof to the Magazine of the State, and to take the same into his Charge, to be distribut-  
‘ ed or dealt out agreeably to Law.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Winds* and Mr. *Ogden* do carry the said Resolution to the Council,  
‘ and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. *Calkwell*, from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill for repealing the Acts now in Force, making the Bills of Credit emitted on the Faith of this State a legal Tender, brought in a Bill according to Order, intituled, ‘ An Act to repeal Part of sundry  
‘ Acts,

‘ Acts, making the Bills of Credit issued on the Faith of this State a legal Tender, and for other Purposes therein mentioned;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Hughes* and Mr. *Rennard*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act to raise by voluntary Enlistment eight hundred and twenty Men for the Defence of the Frontiers of this State;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Message from the House of Assembly of this Day, relative to requesting the Governor to write to His Excellency General *Washington* for a Supply of Ammunition for the Use of the State,

*Resolved*, That the House do not concur in the Resolution therein contained.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Hand* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Hand* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to repeal Part of sundry Acts making the Bills of Credit issued on the Faith of this State a legal Tender, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ was read a second Time and debated,

On Motion of Mr. *Frelinghuysen*, that the second Section of the said Bill, allowing the Debtor making a protest of his Debt, and the Creditor refusing to receive the same to lodge it in the Treasury for the Use of the said Creditor, be expunged; on the Question it was carried in Favour of the Motion, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cooper</i> ,	Mr. <i>Condict</i> ,
Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Frelinghuysen</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hand</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .
Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Tallman</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> .	

The further Consideration of the said Bill was postponed.

The House adjourned till Nine o’Clock, To-morrow Morning.

*Thursday, May 31, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act to raise by voluntary Enlistment eight hundred and twenty Men for the Defence of the Frontiers of this State,’ was read a second Time, and several Amendments made thereon;

*Ordered*, That the said Bill and Amendments be read a third Time.

A Petition from *Adam Hyler*, Commander of a Whale-Boat, and his Crew, praying that Vessels taken in Bays may be tried before a Justice of the Peace, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. *Elmer*, with Leave of the House, brought in a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to repeal sundry Acts restricting the Trade and Commerce of this State;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to repeal Part of sundry Acts making the Bills of Credit issued on the Faith of this State a legal Tender, and for other Purposes therein mentioned;’ and, after some Time spent therein, the further Consideration thereof was postponed.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act to raise by voluntary Enlistment eight hundred and twenty Men for the Defence of the Frontiers of this State,’ with the Amendments, was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill, as amended, do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nay.
Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Tallman</i> ,	Mr. <i>Condict</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cooper</i> .
Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hand</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stevens</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Frelinghuysen</i> ,			

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Frelinghuysen* do carry the said Bill and Amendments to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence in the said Amendments.

Mr.

Mr. *Frelinghuysen* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Nine o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Friday, June 1, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, 'An Act to repeal Part of sundry Acts making the Bills of Credit issued on the Faith of this State a legal Tender, and for other Purposes therein mentioned;' on Motion of Mr. *Condict*, that the following Section be inserted in the said Bill, viz.

*And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That in all Cases where any Person or Corporation being a Creditor, shall, before the first Day of May, 1782, sue or prosecute for any Debt or Demand due by Contract, Obligation or otherwise, made and entered into since the first Day of January, 1777, and before the passing of this Act, stipulating Payment to be made in the current or lawful Money of this State; the Defendant in such Action may, and he is hereby authorized to make a Profert in open Court in the usual Form of Law of the principal Sum due, and the Interest thereon, together with Costs which have accrued on such Suit, in the Bills of Credit issued on the Faith of this State at their nominal Value, which Profert in Court, of Debt and Costs as aforesaid, shall be and hereby is declared to be a full Discharge of such Debt and Costs. Provided always, That Nothing herein contained shall prevent any Creditor from demanding Security of his Debtor, where he supposes himself in Danger of losing his Debt; and in such Case, if the Debtor shall neglect or refuse to give sufficient Security, he shall be deprived of the Benefit of the before-mentioned Profert; whereupon the Question was called for by Mr. *Cooper*, when it was carried for inserting the Section, as follows:*

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Condict</i> ,	Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cooper</i> ,
Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> ,	Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hand</i> .
Mr. <i>Frelinghuysen</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .	Mr. <i>Taliman</i> ,	
Mr. <i>Stevens</i> ,			

The House having gone through the said Bill, the same was ordered to be engrossed.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Martin* and Mr. *Carle*, in the Words following:

*Ordered,*  
**T**HAT Mr. *Martin* and Mr. *Carle* do carry to Council the re-engrossed Bill, intituled, 'A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act to raise by voluntary Enlistment eight hundred and twenty Men, for the Defence of the Frontiers,' and inform them the same is passed by this House, with their Amendments.'

Which re-engrossed Bill having been read and compared,

*Ordered,* That the President do sign the same.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Fenimore* and Mr. *Walling*, in the Words following:

*Resolved,*  
**T**HAT the Treasurer of the State be authorized and required to pay to Lieutenant *John Howell*, acting as Sub-Clothier to a Detachment of the Troops from the Line of this State, under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel *Barber*, the Sum of *One Hundred Pounds* lawful Money, for discharging the Expences he has incurred or may incur in his Journey hither, and return to the Southward, in order to procure Clothing for the said Troops, the said Lieutenant *Howell* to be accountable for the same, and that his Receipt be a sufficient Voucher to the said Treasurer for so much of the publick Money.'

*Ordered,* That Mr. *Fenimore* and Mr. *Walling* do carry the said Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.

Whereas there is not a sufficient Supply of Ammunition at present in the Magazine of this State, and as it may be impracticable to procure a Quantity by Purchase in Season to answer any sudden Emergency, therefore,

*Resolved,* That His Excellency the Governor be requested immediately to apply to His Excellency General *Washington* on Behalf of the State, and to request him to give Directions for the Delivery of thirty thousand Musket Cartridges of different Sizes out of the Continental

mental Magazine, if the same can conveniently be spared, for the Use of the Troops now stationed on the Lines, and that *Elias Woodruff*, Esq. Commissary of Military Stores, in case of General *Washington*'s Compliance with the said Request, be directed to give a Receipt for the said Ammunition, to provide for the Conveyance thereof to the Magazine of this State, and to take the same into his Charge, to be distributed according to Law.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Tallman* do carry the above Resolution to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. *Tallman* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Blanch* and Mr. *Seabrook*, in the Words following :

THE Auditor of Accounts appeared in the House, and reported the Account of *Alexander Chambers*, one of the Barrack-Masters at *Trenton*, appointed by Ordinance of Convention, *February* 24th, 1776, by which there appears to have been a Balance of £ 30 10 11 due to the said *Alexander Chambers* since *November* 26th, 1776; likewise an Account of the said *Alexander Chambers*, as Receiver-General of Clothing, appointed in a Law passed *November* 25th, 1777, by which there appears to have been the Sum of £ 80 16 0 due to the said Accountant since the 6th *November*, 1778; likewise the Account of the said *Alexander Chambers*, as one of the Commissioners for purchasing Arms and Military Stores, and paying the Militia, appointed by Convention *February* 28th, 1776, by which there appears to have been a Balance due the said Accountant of £ 165 5 9 since *January* 1st, 1777.

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer be directed to discharge the above Accounts, by paying to the said Accountant the Amount in the lawful Money of the State.

The Auditor likewise reported the Account of *John Craig*, appointed to pay the Bounty, Subsistence, &c. to the Militia embodied in the County of *Monmouth*, by a Law passed the second Day of *June*, 1779, by which there appears to have been a Balance of £ 32 14 6 due the State in *September*, 1779. Likewise the Accounts of *Thomas Sinnamon*, Esq. appointed to muster and pay the Bounty to Part of the Troops raised in Virtue of an Ordinance of Convention, passed *June* 14th, 1776, by which there appears to be a Balance of £ 396 9 8 due the State since *October* 17th, 1776. Also the Accounts of *Manassah Reeve*, one of the Commissioners appointed in a Law passed *November* 25th, 1777, to purchase Clothing in the County of *Morris*, by which there appears to have been a Balance of £ 19 2 6 due to, and paid into the Treasury on the 5th Day of *May*, 1779.

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer be directed to call on such of the above Accountants as are indebted to the State, to pay in the Balances of their Accounts in the lawful Money of the State, or so much as may by making proper Allowance for the Depreciation on the said Balance be equivalent thereto, when the said Balances severally become due.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Blanch* and Mr. *Seabrook* do carry the above Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to repeal fundry Acts restricting the Trade and Commerce of this State,' was read a second Time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, 'An Act to repeal Parts of fundry Acts making the Bills of Credit issued on the Faith of this State a legal Tender, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,' was read and compared; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Frelinghuysen</i> ,	Mr. <i>Condict</i> ,	Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,
Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Tallman</i> ,	Mr. <i>Elmer</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cooper</i> .
Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hand</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .	

*Ordered*, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lawrence* do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. *Lawrence* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to attain certain Persons therein named of High-Treason,' was read a second Time, and the further Consideration thereof postponed.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. Van-Cleve and Mr. Sexton, in the Words following :

‘ THE House having taken into Consideration the Message from the Council of this Day, relative to requesting His Excellency the Governor to write to General Hays-ington on the Subject of Ammunition, &c.

‘ Resolved, That this House do concur in the Resolution therein contained.

‘ Ordered, That Mr. Van-Cleve and Mr. Sexton do wait on the Council, and inform them thereof.’

The House adjourned till Nine o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

Saturday, June 2, 1781.

The House met—Present as before, except Mr. Erdlingbussen.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act to attain certain Persons therein named of High-Treason ;’ and, after some Time spent therein, the same was ordered to be engrossed.

The engrossed Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act to repeal sundry Acts restricting the Trade and Commerce of this State,’ was read and compared ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nay.
Mr. Dey,	Mr. Tallman,	Mr. Condict,	Mr. Cooper.
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Hand,	Mr. Elmer,	
Mr. Manning,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Symmes.	
Mr. Lawrence,			

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Manning do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. Manning reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. Whilden and Mr. Schenck, in the Words following :

‘ Ordered,

‘ THAT Mr. Whilden and Mr. Schenck do carry to Council the Warrants entitling Mary Fithian, Esther Smith, Jemima Pike and Louis Fisher, to draw the Amount of their late Husbands Half-pay, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Council having taken the foregoing Warrants into Consideration,

Resolved, That the House concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. Condict do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. Condict reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Message from the House of Assembly of the 26th of May last, relative to directing the Superintendant of Purchases to draw from the Treasury One Thousand Pounds for purchasing and transporting Provisions for the Use of the State Troops, &c. on the Question, Whether the House concur in the Resolution therein contained ? It was carried in the Affirmative, as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. Dey,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Cooper,
Mr. Manning,	Mr. Condict,	Mr. Hand,
Mr. Lawrence,	Mr. Symmes.	Mr. Elmer.
Mr. Tallman,		

Ordered, That Mr. Dey do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. Dey reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. Elmer has Leave of Absence on urgent Business until next Monday Week.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. G. Ogden and Mr. Suidam, in the Words following :

‘ Ordered,

‘ THAT Mr. G. Ogden and Mr. Suidam do carry to the Council, the Bill, intitled, “ An Act to enable the Congress of the United States to levy Duties of Five per Centum, ad

‘ *ad Valorem*, on certain Goods and Merchandize imported into this State, and on Prizes and Prize-Goods, and for appropriating the same,” and inform them that the same is passed by this House without Amendment.’

The House adjourned till *Monday* next Three o’Clock, P. M.

*Monday, June 4, 1781.*

The House met.

P R E S E N T,

His Excellency the GOVERNOR,

Mr. STEVENS,	Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN,	Mr. DEY,
Mr. COOPER,	Mr. SYMMES,	Mr. HAND.
Mr. MANNING,	Mr. CONDUCT,	

The engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to attain certain Persons therein named of High-Treason,’ was read and compared; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Manning* do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. *Manning* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Bunn* and Mr. *Lambert*, in the Words following :

‘ *Ordered*,

‘ **T**HAT Mr. *Bunn* and Mr. *Lambert* do carry to the Council the Returns and Account of Depreciation of the Troops of this State in the Service of the United States, as settled by the Commissioners appointed for that Purpose by the Legislature, and acquaint them that the same is allowed by this House.’

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to alter, amend and confirm the Charter of *Queen’s College*, in *New-Jersey*,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to preserve the Buildings in this State, belonging to the United States, from being destroyed, and for the Punishment of those that shall seize on, or injure the same,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Nine o’Clock.

*Tuesday, June 5, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before, and Mr. *Lawrence*.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *S. Ogden* and Mr. *Mayhew*, in the Words following :

‘ *Ordered*,

‘ **T**HAT Mr. *S. Ogden* and Mr. *Mayhew* do carry to the Council the Bill, intituled, “ An Act to direct the Naval Officers in clearing out Vessels in any of the Ports of this State,” and inform them, that the same is passed by this House without Amendment.’

The Bill, intituled, “ An Act to preserve the Buildings in this State belonging to the United States from being destroyed, and for the Punishment of those that shall seize on, or injure the same,” was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Condict* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to alter, amend and confirm the Charter of *Queen’s College*, in *New-Jersey*,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Condict* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Message from the House of Assembly of the first Instant, relative to authorizing the Treasurer to pay to Lieutenant *John Howell*, One Hundred Pounds ;

*Resolved*, That the House do not concur in the Resolution therein contained.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Condict* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Returns and Accounts of Depreciation of the Troops of this State in the Service of the United States, as settled by the Commissioners,

*Resolved*, That the same is allowed by this House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Condict* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Condict* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock, P. M.

The House met.

Mr. *Kay* and Mr. *Lindley*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ' An Act for appointing an additional Number of Persons to sign and number the Bills of Credit, issued on the Faith of this State,' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned till Nine o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Wednesday, June 6, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before, and Mr. *Caldwell*.

The Bill, intituled, ' An Act for appointing an additional Number of Persons to sign and number the Bills of Credit, issued on the Faith of this State,' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

A Petition from a Number of the Inhabitants of the County of *Somerset*, praying an Amendment to the Tender Laws, was read, and sent to the House of Assembly.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. *Condict*, with Leave of the House, brought in a Bill, intituled, ' An Act to prevent dangerous and disaffected Persons passing, and contraband Goods from being conveyed through this State in Stage-Waggons,' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ' An Act for appointing an additional Number of Persons to sign and number the Bills of Credit, issued on the Faith of this State,' was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Caldwell* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. *Caldwell* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. *Caldwell*, with Leave of the House, brought in a Bill, intituled, ' An Act to alter Part of an Act, intituled, An Act to raise a Fund by Loan for discharging the Bounty to be paid to the Troops required by Congress, as the Quota of this State,' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned till Nine o'Clock, To-morrow Morning.

*Thursday, June 7, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *Frelinghuysen*, with Leave of the House, brought in a Bill, intituled, ' An Act to compel the Attendance of Witnesses at Militia Courts Martial,' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Hand* has Leave of Absence till next *Thursday* on urgent Business.

The Bill, intitled, ‘An Act to alter Part of an Act, intitled, An Act to raise a Fund by Loan, for discharging the Bounty to be paid to the Troops required by Congress, as the Quota of this State,’ was read a second Time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The Bill, intitled, ‘An Act for incorporating sundry Persons, Inhabitants of the Western Part of the Township of *Newark*, in the County of *Essex*, as Trustees for the Congregation to which they belong, by the Name of *The Trustees of the Second Presbyterian Church in Newark*,’ was read a second Time, and the further Consideration thereof postponed till the next Sitting.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Caldwell* and Mr. *Frelinghuysen* be a Committee to prepare and bring in a Bill upon a general Plan for incorporating religious Societies.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

A Remonstrance from the County of *Somerset*, setting forth the Inefficacy of the Laws for supplying the Army, and the Necessity of a Tax in Kind, &c. was read, and sent to the House of Assembly.

A Petition from a Number of the Inhabitants of the County of *Somerset*, praying a Law may be passed fixing a Table of Depreciation for the Payment of Debts, was read, and sent to the House of Assembly.

A Petition from a Number of the Inhabitants of *Bedminster*, in the County of *Somerset*, praying the Revival of a Law to repair their publick Highways by Hire, was read and sent to the House of Assembly.

A Memorial of *Roeloff Sebring*, Esq. one of the Commissioners of forfeited Estates in the County of *Somerset*, praying Direction in his Office, was read and sent to the House of Assembly.

The Bill, intitled, ‘An Act to prevent dangerous and disaffected Persons from passing, and contraband Goods from being conveyed through this State, in Stage-Waggons,’ was read a second Time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The engrossed Bill, intitled, ‘An Act to alter Part of an Act, intitled, An Act to raise a Fund by Loan, for discharging the Bounty to be paid to the Troops required by Congress as the Quota of this State,’ was read and compared; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cooper* do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. *Cooper* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intitled, ‘An Act to compel the Attendance of Witnesses at Militia Courts Martial,’ was read a second Time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The House adjourned till Nine o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Friday, June 8, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before, except the Governor and Mr. *Hand*.

The engrossed Bill, intitled, ‘An Act to compel the Attendance of Witnesses at Militia Courts Martial,’ was read and compared; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nay.
Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cooper</i> ,	Mr. <i>Condict</i> .
Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Frelinghuysen</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .	
Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,			

*Ordered*, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Frelinghuysen* do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

The Governor came into Council.

The engrossed Bill, intitled, ‘An Act to prevent dangerous and disaffected Persons from passing, and contraband Goods from being conveyed through this State, in Stage-Waggons,’



'gons,' was read and compared; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nay.
Mr. Dey,	Mr. Frelinghuysen,	Mr. Condict,	Mr. Caldwell.
Mr. Manning,	Mr. Cooper,	Mr. Symmes.	
Mr. Lawrence	Mr. Stevens,		

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Frelinghuysen do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. Frelinghuysen reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

A Petition from the *Baptist Church, Pittsgrove*, in *Salem County*, praying a Law to incorporate them, as well as all other religious Societies, was read, and referred to the Committee appointed Yesterday, to bring in a Bill for that Purpose.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. Bunn and Mr. Sparks, in the Words following:

'Ordered,

'THAT Mr. Bunn and Mr. Sparks do carry to Council the Bill, intituled, "An Act, to repeal sundry Acts restricting the Trade and Commerce of the State," and also, the Bill intituled, "An Act for raising the Penalties on delinquent Freeholders, and on Persons refusing to serve as Constables," and acquaint them that the same are passed by this House without Amendment.'

The House adjourned till Nine o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Saturday, June 9, 1781.

The House met.

P R E S E N T,

The VICE-PRESIDENT.

Mr. DEY,	Mr. MANNING,	Mr. CONDUCT,
Mr. CALDWELL,	Mr. COOPER,	Mr. SYMMES.

Mr. Winds and Mr. Martin, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, 'An Act for embodying, for a limited Time, five hundred of the Militia of this State, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Message from the House of Assembly in the following Words:

'Ordered,

'THAT Mr. Fenimore and Mr. Camp do carry to the Council the Bill, intituled, "An Act to repeal Part of sundry Acts making the Bills of Credit, issued on the Faith of this State, a legal Tender, and for other Purposes therein mentioned," with the Amendments made thereto by this House, and request their Concurrence in the said Amendments.'

Which Amendments were read, and the further Consideration thereof postponed.

The House took into Consideration the Message from the Assembly of the 26th of May, authorizing *Elias Woodruff*, Esq. to draw Money from the Treasurer to purchase Lead and other Ammunition; on the Question, Whether the House do concur in the same, the Yeas and Nays were called for, and it passed in the Negative, as follows:

Nays.	Nays.	Nays.	Yea.
Mr. Dey,	Mr. Cooper,	Mr. Symmes.	Mr. Manning.
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Condict,		

Ordered, That Mr. Symmes do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that this House do not concur in the above Resolution.

Mr. Symmes reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The following Messages were received from the House of Assembly by Mr. Lindfly and Mr. Scabrook, in the Words following:

'Ordered,

'THAT Mr. Lindfly and Mr. Scabrook do wait on the Council, and acquaint them that the Bill, intituled, "An Act to prevent dangerous and disaffected Persons from pas-

‘ fmg, and contraband Goods from being conveyed through this State in Stage-Waggons,’  
 ‘ is negatived by this House.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Lindfly* and Mr. *Seabrook* do carry to Council the Bill, intituled,  
 “ An Act to compel the Attendance of Witnesses at Militia Courts Martial;” and also the  
 ‘ Bill, intituled, “ An Act to alter Part of an Act, intituled, An Act to raise a Fund by Loan  
 ‘ for discharging the Bounty to be paid to the Troops required by Congress as the Quota of  
 ‘ this State,” and acquaint them that the same are passed by this House without Amend-  
 ‘ ment.’

Mr. *Lindfly* and Mr. *Seabrook* also brought back to this House the Bill, intituled, ‘ An  
 ‘ Act to prevent the Waste of Timber,’ with fundry Amendments made thereto by the  
 House of Assembly, to which Amendments they requested the Concurrence of this House.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock *Monday* Afternoon.

*Monday, June 11, 1781.*

The House met.

P R E S E N T.

His Excellency the GOVERNOR.

Mr. COOPER,  
 Mr. LAWRENCE,

Mr. MANNING,  
 Mr. DEY,

Mr. SYMMES,  
 Mr. TALLMAN.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Lindfly* and Mr. *Seabrook*, in the Words  
 following :

‘ *Ordered*,  
 ‘ **T**HAT Mr. *Lindfly* and Mr. *Seabrook* do carry the Warrants entitling *Elizabeth Cole*,  
 ‘ *Mary Winter*, *Penelope Davis*, *Isabella Hibbits* and *Mary Stilwell*, respectively, to  
 ‘ draw *Twenty-five Shillings* per Month, it being the Amount of their late Husbands Half-  
 ‘ pay, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The House adjourned till Nine o’Clock, To-morrow Morning.

*Tuesday, June 12, 1781.*

The House met.

P R E S E N T,

The VICE-PRESIDENT,

Mr. COOPER,  
 Mr. CONDUCT,  
 Mr. DEY,

Mr. TALLMAN,  
 Mr. CALDWELL,  
 Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN,

Mr. LAWRENCE,  
 Mr. MANNING,  
 Mr. SYMMES.

The House having taken in Consideration the Amendments made by the House of Assem-  
 bly to the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to prevent the Waste of Timber,’

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Tallman* do carry to the House of Assembly the said Bill and Amend-  
 ments, and acquaint them that this House have agreed to the 1st, 3d, 5th, 7th, 10th, 11th,  
 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, and 18th Amendments, and in all other Respects adhere to their  
 Bill.

Mr. *Tallman* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for embodying, for a limited Time, five hundred of the Militia  
 ‘ of this State, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ was read a second Time, de-  
 bated, and the further Consideration thereof postponed.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Rennard* and Mr. *Carle*, in the following  
 Words :

‘ **T**HE House having taken into Consideration the Amendments made by this House to  
 ‘ the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to prevent the Waste of Timber,’ and rejected by Council,  
 ‘ *Resolved*, That the House do adhere to their said Amendments.  
 ‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Rennard* and Mr. *Carle* do wait on the Council, and acquaint them  
 ‘ therewith.’

A Petition from a Number of the Inhabitants of the County of *Somerset*, praying a Repeal of the Tender Laws, was read, and sent to the House of Assembly.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The House withdrew to attend a Joint-Meeting; after some Time the House returned, and adjourned till Nine o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Wednesday, June 13, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before, and the Governor.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Amendments made by the House of Assembly to the Bill, intituled, 'An Act to repeal Parts of sundry Acts making the Bills of Credit, issued on the Faith of this State, a legal Tender, and for other Purposes therein mentioned;'

*Resolved*, That the House agree to the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be re-engrossed.

The re-engrossed Bill, intituled, 'An Act to repeal Parts of sundry Acts making the Bills of Credit issued on the Faith of this State a legal Tender,' &c. was read and compared,

*Resolved*, That the said Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lawrence* do carry the said re-engrossed Bill to the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the same is passed by this House with their Amendments.

Mr. *Lawrence* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Dey* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that this House concur in the Warrants entitling *Elizabeth Cole*, *Mary Winters*, *Penelope Davis*, *Isabella Hibbets* and *Mary Stilwell*, respectively, to draw their late Husbands Half-pay.

Mr. *Dey* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. *Shreve* and Mr. *Smith*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, 'An Act to revive and continue the Act, intituled, An Act for rebuilding, repairing and maintaining, the Drawbridge over *Croffwicks* Creek, in the County of *Burlington*, and for repairing the Causeways adjoining said Bridge,' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Shreve* and Mr. *Smith*, in the Words following:

THE Honourable *James Caldwell* and *Frederick Frelinghuysen*, Esqrs. having sent the Resignation of their Appointment as Commissioners for enquiring into the Terms of the Enlistments of the Soldiers of the *New-Jersey* Brigade, &c.

*Resolved*, That their Resignation be accepted.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Shreve* and Mr. *Smith* do wait on the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.

The Council having taken the foregoing Message into Consideration,

*Resolved*, That the House concur in the Resolution therein contained.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Symmes* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Symmes* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Nine o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Thursday, June 14, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before, except the Governor.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to revive and continue the Act, intituled, An Act for rebuilding, repairing and maintaining, the Drawbridge over *Croffwicks* Creek, in the County of *Burlington*, and for repairing the Causeways adjoining said Bridge,' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for embodying five hundred of the Militia of this State, and for other Purposes therein mentioned;’ and, after some Time spent thereon, the further Consideration thereof was postponed.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Kennedy* and Mr. *Marsh*, in the Words following :

*Resolved*,  
‘THAT *James M-Comb*, Esq. Clothier of this State, be authorized and empowered to purchase such Articles of Clothing as may be necessary at this Time for the Troops of this State, in the Service of the United States, on Credit; and that the Legislature will make Provision for the Payment of the same within six Months in Specie, or other current Money equivalent, provided that the Value of the Articles so purchased exceed not the Sum of *Two Thousand Pounds*.

‘*Ordered*, That Mr. *Kennedy* and Mr. *Marsh* do carry the said Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Council having taken into Consideration the foregoing Message,

*Resolved*, That the House concur in the Resolution therein contained.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Caldwell* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Caldwell* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for embodying five hundred of the Militia of this State, and for other Purposes therein mentioned;’ and, after some Time spent therein, the further Consideration thereof was postponed.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Nine o’Clock.

*Friday, June 15, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before, and the Governor.

A Petition from the Inhabitants of *Great Egg-Harbour*, praying that a Company of Men may be raised for their Defence, &c. was read, and sent to the House of Assembly.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for embodying five hundred of the Militia of this State, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ when an Amendment was made to the Title of the Bill, as also several other Amendments.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill and Amendments be read a third Time.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Freeman* and Mr. *Suidam*, in the Words following :

‘**W**HEREAS it hath been represented to the Legislature that considerable Advantage may be derived to the State from granting a Commission to *John Story*, as Captain of a private armed Boat, therefore

‘*Resolved*, That it be recommended to His Excellency the Governor or Commander in Chief of the State, for the Time being, to grant a Commission to the said *John Story* accordingly, on his giving Security to His Excellency the Governor or Commander in Chief of the State, and his Successors, on Behalf of the State, for his good Behaviour in his Command; and that in case of Misconduct the said *John Story* be liable to be dismissed from the Service, by the Sentence of a Militia Court-Martial approved by the Commander in Chief of the State, and his Commission taken away or declared null and void.

‘*Ordered*, That Mr. *Freeman* and Mr. *Suidam* do carry the above Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to revive and continue the Act, intituled, An Act for rebuilding, repairing and maintaining, the Drawbridge over *Crosswicks* Creek, in the County of *Burlington*, and for repairing the Causeways adjoining said Bridge,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*,

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Symmes* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for embodying five hundred of the Militia of this State, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ with the Amendments, were read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill, as amended, do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the said Bill and Amendments.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Symmes* do carry the said Bill and Amendments to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence in the said Amendments.

Mr. *Symmes* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Message from the House of Assembly of the first Instant, with sundry Accounts stated by the Auditor of Accounts,

*Resolved*, That the House do concur in the Resolutions therein contained.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Tallman* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Tallman* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Nine o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Saturday, June 16, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Marsh* and Mr. *Whilden*, in the Words following:

‘*Ordered*,

✓ **T**HAT Mr. *Marsh* and Mr. *Whilden* do carry to the Council the Warrant entitling *Elizabeth Niel*, Widow of Capt. *Daniel Niel*, to draw her late Husband’s Half-pay, and request their Concurrence therein.’

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Manning* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that this House concur in the said Warrant.

Mr. *Manning* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Monday Three o’Clock, P. M.

*Monday, June 18, 1781.*

The House met.

P R E S E N T,

His Excellency the GOVERNOR,

Mr. COOPER,	Mr. DEY,	Mr. MANNING,
Mr. CONDUCT,	Mr. SYMMES,	Mr. CALDWELL,
Mr. TALLMAN,	Mr. HAND,	Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. G. *Ogden* and Mr. *Kay*, in the Words following:

‘*Ordered*,

✓ **T**HAT Mr. G. *Ogden* and Mr. *Kay* do carry to Council the Warrant entitling Capt. *Cornelius Hennion* to draw the Sum of *Ten Dollars*, monthly; and the Warrant entitling *Phoebe Salter*, Widow of *Benjamin Salter*, deceased, to draw her late Husband’s Half-pay, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Petition of Col. *David Potter*, praying Arrearages of his Pay while a Prisoner, with Depreciation, was read a second Time, and sent to the House of Assembly.

The House adjourned till Nine o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Tuesday, June 19, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *Caldwell*, with Leave of the House, brought in a Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to suspend,  
‘ for

‘ for a limited Time, the Operation of the Law of this State for the Limitation of Actions,’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Hughes* and Mr. *Bunn*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for raising the Value of *One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Pounds* in Money and other Supplies, in the State of *New-Jersey*, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dey* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that this House do concur in the Warrants entitling Capt. *Cornelius Hennion* to draw the Sum of *Ten Dollars*, monthly, and *Phoebe Salter*, Widow of *Benjamin Salter*, deceased, to draw her late Husband’s Half-pay.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Carle* and Mr. *Lambert*, in the Words following :

‘ THE House having taken into Consideration the Bill, intituled, “ An Act for embodying, for a limited Time, five hundred of the Militia of this State, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,” with the Amendments made thereto by the Council ;

‘ Resolved, That the House disagree to the Amendments made thereto, and adhere to their Bill.

‘ Ordered, That Mr. *Carle* and Mr. *Lambert* do carry back the said Bill to the Council, and acquaint them therewith.’

The Council having taken the foregoing Message in Consideration,  
Resolved, That the House adhere to their Amendments.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dey* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.  
Mr. *Dey* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for raising the Value of *One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Pounds* in Money and other Supplies, in the State of *New-Jersey*, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ was read a second Time, and the further Consideration thereof postponed.

The House adjourned till Nine o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Wednesday, June 20, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before.

The House resumed the Consideration of the Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for raising the Value of *One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Pounds* in Money and other Supplies, in the State of *New-Jersey*, and for other Purposes therein mentioned ;’ and, after some Time spent therein, was ordered a third Reading.

Mr. *Ewing* and Mr. *Henderson*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act for striking *One Hundred Thousand Pounds* in Bills of Credit, and for directing the Mode for sinking the same, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to suspend, for a limited Time, the Operation of the Law of this State for the Limitation of Actions,’ was read a second Time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The House adjourned till Nine o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Thursday, June 21, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before, except the Governor.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to suspend, for a limited Time, the Operation of the Law of this State for the Limitation of Actions,’ was read and compared ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Frelinghuysen</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cooper</i> ,	Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,
Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Tollman</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hand</i> .	Mr. <i>Condict</i> ,
Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,			Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Condict do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. Blanch and Mr. Winds, in the Words following:

WHEREAS it is now become necessary that the Delegates of this State should be furnished with Specie for their Support during their Attendance in Congress,  
Resolved, That the Treasurer of the State be authorized and directed to pay each of the Delegates from this State, who shall attend in the Congress of the United States after the passing of this Resolution, the Sum of *Thirty Shillings* per Day, in Gold or Silver, instead of the Allowance heretofore granted them; on Accounts by them respectively produced and authenticated as by Law directed.

Ordered, That Mr. Blanch and Mr. Winds do carry the foregoing Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.

The Council having taken into Consideration the foregoing Message,

Resolved, That the House do not concur in the Resolution therein contained.

Ordered, That Mr. Condict do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

The Governor came into Council.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act for raising the Value of *One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Pounds* in Money and other Supplies, in the State of *New-Jersey*, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,' was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.		Yeas.		Nays.		Nays.	
Mr. Dey,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Lawrence,	Mr. Cooper,	Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Condict,	Mr. Tallman,	Mr. Hand.
Mr. Manning,	Mr. Symmes.						
Mr. Trelingbuyfen,							

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Condict do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House.

Mr. Condict reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The two following Messages were received from the House of Assembly by Mr. Camp and Mr. Schenck, in the Words following:

Ordered,

THAT Mr. Camp and Mr. Schenck do carry to Council the Bill, intituled, "A Supplement to an Act, intituled, An Act for ascertaining the Value of the Continental Currency in the Payment of Debts," with the Amendments made thereto by this House, and request their Concurrence in the said Amendments.

Whereas it is necessary that some Directions should be given to the Paymasters of the Militia, for the Payment of Arrears due to the Militia of this State before the passing of the Act, intituled, "An Act for the regulating, training, and arraying of the Militia, and for providing more effectually for the Defence and Security of the State," passed the eighth Day of *January*, 1781, therefore,

Resolved, That the Officers, non-commissioned Officers and Privates, who have yielded personal Service in the Militia before the passing of the said Act, and to whom Arrears are due, shall receive the Pay established thereby, which shall be considered in full of Bounty, Pay, and all other Allowances by Way of Subsistence granted by any particular Act; and that the Pay-Rolls of the said Arrears made out by the Officers whose Duty it is, and authenticated in Manner directed by Law, shall be discharged at the Rate aforesaid.

Ordered, That Mr. Camp and Mr. Schenck do carry the foregoing Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act for striking *One Hundred Thousand Pounds* in Bills of Credit, and directing the Mode for sinking the same, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Amendments made by the House of Assembly

Assembly to the Bill, intituled, 'A Supplement to an Act, intituled, An Act for ascertaining the Value of the Continental Currency in the Payment of Debts.'

*Resolved*, That the House agree to all the said Amendments, except the Table of Depreciation, and in that Respect adhere to their Bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Caldwell do wait on the House of Assembly with the said Bill and Amendments, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. Caldwell reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Nine o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Friday, June 22, 1781.

The House met—Present as before.

The Honourable Jonathan Elmer having been elected by the Council and Assembly in Joint-Meeting a Delegate to represent this State in Congress; and his Acceptance of the said Appointment having vacated his Seat in this House,

*Resolved*, That the President do issue his Warrant to the Sheriff of the County of Cumberland, directing him to cause an Election to be held for a Member to represent the said County in this House.

Mr. Caldwell, with Leave of the House, brought in a Bill, intituled, 'An Act authorizing the Governor to grant Commissions for Guard-Boats and Coasting Vessels,' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act for striking One Hundred Thousand Pounds in Bills of Credit, and directing the Mode for sinking the same, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,' was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. Dey,	Mr. Lawrence,	Mr. Hind,	Mr. Cooper,
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Frelinghuysen,	Mr. Condict,	Mr. Stevens.
Mr. Manning,	Mr. Tallman,	Mr. Symmes.	

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Symmes wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. Sexton and Mr. Freeman, in the Words following:

'THE House having taken in Consideration the Bill, intituled, "A Supplement to an Act, intituled, An Act for ascertaining the Value of the Continental Currency in the Payment of Debts," and the Amendments made thereto by this House, and rejected by Council,

'*Resolved*, That the House do adhere to the said Amendments.

'*Ordered*, That Mr. Sexton and Mr. Freeman do wait on the Council, and acquaint them therewith.'

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. Van-Cleve and Mr. Kay, in the Words following:

'*Resolved*,

'THAT Isaac Collins, Printer, be directed immediately to strike off three hundred Copies of the Act, intituled, "An Act for raising the Value of One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Pounds in Money and other Supplies, in the State of New-Jersey, and for other Purposes therein mentioned;" to be distributed to the several Counties in the same Proportion that the Laws are directed to be distributed, and forwarded as soon as possible.

'*Ordered*, That Mr. Van-Cleve and Mr. Kay do carry the said Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.'

The Council having taken into Consideration the foregoing Message,

*Resolved*, That the House do concur in the Resolution therein contained.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Symmes do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. Symmes reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

Mr. Frelinghuysen, with Leave of the House, brought in a Bill, intituled, 'An Act to declare the Value of the Continental Currency through the several Periods of its Depreciation.'



'ation, and to provide for the more equitable Payment of Debts;' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock, P. M.

The House met.

Mr. *Cooper* has Leave of Absence the Remainder of this Sitting on urgent Business.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to declare the Value of the Continental Currency through the several Periods of its Depreciation, and to provide for the more equitable Payment of Debts,' was read a second Time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The House having taken into Consideration the Message from the House of Assembly of the 21st Inst. relative to the Pay of the Militia,

*Resolved*, That the House do not concur in the Resolution therein contained.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Tallman* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, 'An Act to declare the Value of the Continental Currency through the several Periods of its Depreciation, and to provide for the more equitable Payment of Debts,' was read and compared; on the Question, Whether the same do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Tallman* do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. *Tallman* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

A Petition from sundry Inhabitants of *Gloucester*, *Cumberland* and *Cape May*, praying for a Law to enable them to build a Bank, Dam and other Waterworks on *Tuckahoe River*, was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned till Nine o'Clock, To-morrow Morning.

*Saturday, June 23, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before, except Mr. *Cooper*.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Fenimore* and Mr. *Kennedy*, in the Words following :

'*Ordered*,  
' **T**HAT Mr. *Fenimore* and Mr. *Kennedy* do carry to Council the Bill, intituled, "An Act to declare the Value of Continental Currency through the several Periods of its Depreciation, and to provide for the more equitable Payment of Debts," and acquaint them that the same is passed by this House without Amendment.'

The Petition from sundry Inhabitants of the Counties of *Gloucester*, *Cumberland* and *Cape May*, praying a Law to erect a Bank, Dam and other Waterworks on *Tuckahoe River*, was read a second Time.

*Ordered*, That the Petitioners have Leave to bring in a Bill for the above Purpose at the next Sitting of the Legislature, upon previously advertising their Intention at least three Weeks in the *Jersey Gazette*, and in three of the most publick Places of each County, nearest to the Place where the Works aforesaid are designed to be erected.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *G. Ogden* and Mr. *Lindfly*, in the Words following :

'*Ordered*,  
' **T**HAT Mr. *G. Ogden* and Mr. *Lindfly* do carry to Council the Bill, intituled, "An Act to raise, by voluntary Enlistment, four hundred and fifty Men, for completing the Quota of Troops belonging to this State, in the Service of the United States": And also the Bill, intituled, "An Act to extend the Powers of Magistrates in the several Counties of this State, in the Trial of small Causes, and for other Purposes therein mentioned," and request their Concurrence therein.'

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act authorizing the Governor to grant Commissions for Guard-Boats and Coasting Vessels,' was read a second Time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to extend the Powers of Magistrates in the several Counties of this State, in the Trial of small Causes, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,' was read, and ordered a second Reading.

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The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to raise, by voluntary Enlistment, four hundred and fifty Men for completing the Quota of Troops belonging to this State, in the Service of the United States,' was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. G. Ogden and Mr. Lindfly, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, 'An Act to alter the Place of holding the Interior Court of Common Pleas, and Court of General Quarter Sessions of the Peace in and for the County of *Bergen*,' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, 'An Act authorizing the Governor to grant Commissions for Guard-Boats and Coasting Vessels, was read and compared; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.

Yeas.

Yeas.

Nays.

Mr. Dey,

Mr. Lawrence,

Mr. Hand,

Mr. Frelinghuysen,

Mr. Caldwell,

Mr. Tallman,

Mr. Symmes.

Mr. Condict.

Mr. Manning,

Ordered, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Manning do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. Manning reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. Lambert and Mr. Kirkpatrick, in the Words following:

'Resolved,

THAT Abraham Brewer of the County of *Bergen*, Nathaniel Hunt, Esq. of the County of *Hunterdon*, Thomson Stelle, Esq. of the County of *Middlesex*, and Edward Dunlap of the County of *Suffex*, be, and they hereby are severally appointed Paymasters of the Militia of their respective Counties, in the Place of those heretofore appointed to pay the Militia of such Counties; and that Eli Elmer, of the County of *Cumberland*, be appointed Paymaster of the Militia of the Counties of *Cumberland* and *Cape-May*, in the Place of William Kelsey, Esq. resigned; and that the said Paymasters shall be vested with the same Powers, and entitled to the same Rewards as the Paymasters heretofore appointed.

'Resolved, That the Paymasters of the Militia of the several Counties of this State, be, and they hereby are authorized to draw from the Treasury of the State such Sums of Money from Time to Time, as may be necessary to discharge the Arrears due to the Militia of their respective Districts.

'Ordered, That Mr. Lambert and Mr. Kirkpatrick do carry the said Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.

The Council having taken the above Resolutions into Consideration,

Resolved, That they do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. Hand do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. Hand reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to extend the Powers of Magistrates in the several Counties of this State, in the Trial of small Causes, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,' was read a second Time, and referred to next Sitting.

The House adjourned till Monday Morning Nine o'Clock.

Monday, June 25, 1781.

The House met.

P R E S E N T,

His Excellency the GOVERNOR.

Mr. STEVENS,

Mr. HAND,

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN,

Mr. CALDWELL,

Mr. CONDUCT,

Mr. SYMMES.

Mr. MANNING,

Mr. DEY,

The Council having taken into Consideration the Message from the House of Assembly of the third of *January* last, relative to entitling the Honourable Major-General Lord Stirling to receive the Depreciation of his established Pay, &c.

Resolved,

*Resolved*, That the House do not concur in the Resolution therein contained.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Condict* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to alter the Place of holding the Inferior Court of Common-Pleas and Court of General Quarter Sessions of the Peace, in and for the County of *Bergen*,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to raise by voluntary Enlistment four hundred and fifty Men, for completing the Quota of Troops belonging to this State, in the Service of the United States,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to raise by voluntary Enlistment four hundred and fifty Men, for completing the Quota of Troops belonging to this State, in the Service of the United States,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Dey* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The Bill, intituled ‘An Act to alter the Place of holding the Inferior Court of Common-Pleas and Court of General Quarter Sessions of the Peace in and for the County of *Bergen*,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Dey* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. *Dey* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The Bill, intituled, An Act to empower *Jacob Parker* to erect a Dam, Mills and other Waterworks on the North Branch of *Ancocuts* Creek, about two Miles above *Mount-holley*,’ was read a second Time, and thereupon it was ordered that the Parties for and against the said Bill appear before this House on the second *Wednesday* in the next Sitting of the Legislature, with their Witnesses.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Nine o’Clock.

*Tuesday, June 26, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Wilson* and Mr. *Lindfly*, dated Yesterday, in the Words following :

‘*Resolved*,  
THAT *Elias Woodruff*, Esq. Commissary of Military Stores, be authorized to purchase any Quantity of Lead not exceeding four Tons for the Use of this State, and that all reasonable Expences that may attend the procuring and transporting the same, shall be paid either in hard Money or Grain, out of the Proceeds arising from “An Act for raising the Value of One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Pounds in Money and other Supplies in the State of *New-Jersey*, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,”

‘*Ordered*, That Mr. *Wilson* and Mr. *Lindfly* do carry the said Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Council having taken the foregoing Message into Consideration,

*Resolved*, That the House do concur in the Resolution therein contained.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Condict* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Condict* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. *Scudder* and Mr. *Freeman*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, the three following Bills: A Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to suspend the Sales of Real Estates, which have or hereafter may become forfeited to, and vested in this State,’

A Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act to provide for the Clothing of the Quota of Forces raised or to be raised in this State, for the Service of the United States, and to repeal the Laws now in Force for that End.’ A Bill, intituled, ‘ Act for the Relief of certain Persons who have been prosecuted for Debts contracted on Account of this State, or of the United States ;’ which three several Bills were read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to suspend the Sales of Real Estates which have or hereafter may become forfeited to, and vested in this State,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act to provide for the Clothing of the Quota of Forces, raised or to be raised in this State, for the Service of the United States, and to repeal the Laws now in Force for that End,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for the Relief of certain Persons who have been prosecuted for Debts contracted on Account of this State or of the United States,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

Mr. *Frelinghuysen*, with Leave of the House, brought in a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to ascertain the Prices of sundry Articles in the publick Inns of this State,’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to ascertain the Prices of sundry Articles in the publick Inns of this State,’ was read a second Time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to suspend the Sales of Real Estates, which have or hereafter may become forfeited to, and vested in this State,’ was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nay.
Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Frelinghuysen</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stevens</i> ,	Mr. <i>Condict</i> .
Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hand</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .	
Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,			

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Caldwell* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to amend an Act, intituled, ‘ An Act to provide for the Clothing of the Quota of Forces raised or to be raised in this State, for the Service of the United States, and to repeal the Laws now in Force for that End,’ was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Caldwell* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for the Relief of certain Persons who have been prosecuted for Debts contracted on Account of this State or of the United States,’ was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nay.
Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hand</i> ,	Mr. <i>Condict</i> ,	Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> .
Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stevens</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .	
Mr. <i>Frelinghuysen</i> ,			

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Caldwell* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to ascertain the Prices of sundry Articles in the publick Inns of this State,’ was read and compared ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Caldwell* do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. *Caldwell* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

Mr. *Bunn* and Mr. *Winds*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, 'An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act more effectually to prevent the Inhabitants of this State from trading with the Enemy, or going within their Lines, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,' which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned till Nine o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Wednesday, June 27, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Scabrook* and Mr. *Mayhew*, in the Words following :

'Ordered,

'THAT Mr. *Scabrook* and Mr. *Mayhew* do wait on the Council, and acquaint them that the Bill, intituled, "An Act to ascertain the Prices of sundry Articles in the publick Inns in this State," is rejected by the House.

Mr. *Scabrook* and Mr. *Mayhew*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, the following Instructions to the Delegates of this State, in the Congress of the United States, viz.

'To the Honourable JOHN WITHERSPOON, ABRAHAM CLARK, WILLIAM C. HOUSTON, ELIAS BOUDINOT and JONATHAN ELMER, Esquires, representing the State of New-Jersey in the Congress of the United States.

Gentlemen,

THE Legislature being favoured with the Acts of Congress of the 25th Day of May, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-one, find, amongst other Things, the following Resolves :

'That the Promotions of Battalion Officers to the Rank of Brigadiers be confined to the following Districts, in each of which Brigadiers when necessary shall be made of the Senior Officers of that District, without Regard to any particular State: That *New-York* and *New-Jersey*, including Colonel *Hazen's* Regiment, be entitled to two Brigadiers, and that whenever a Brigadier shall be wanting for the Troops of either of the Districts, he shall be made from the Senior Battalion Officer, without regarding the State to which he belongs.'

This System, if carried into Effect, they are apprehensive, will be productive of the most disagreeable Consequence, by giving general Dissatisfaction to the Troops of this State. The Legislature ground their Apprehensions upon Information delivered by Colonel *Dayton* personally, and from Lieutenant-Colonel *De-Hart* by Way of Letter, in Behalf of himself and the other Officers present in Camp, both complaining of the Injustice of the Mode of Promotion, and alledging, that hitherto the Line of Promotions had been confined to States, during which several Officers of lower Rank than three or four of the Officers of the *Jersey* Line were promoted to the Rank of Brigadiers, and who could by no Means be supposed to have served their Country more faithfully, or to be entitled to a greater Share of Merit than the Officers of this State; of this they did not complain, because, although they conceived it disadvantageous at the Time, they expected also to reap the Benefit of Promotion in that Mode in common with the Officers of other States, from which they are now prevented by an Alteration in the Line of Preferment.

The System of Promotion referred to we should have by no Means objected against had it been adopted in the Beginning, or when the Army were in a rude and unformed State: It may perhaps in itself be the most eligible, but we conceive it more prudent and expedient to pursue a Mode of Promotion established and long practised on, though in itself liable to Exceptions, than to hazard the Murmurings, Discontents and Resignations which may be the Consequences of Alterations, which will be considered as a Token of Instability, and will, we fear, be exceedingly prejudicial, if not ruinous to the *Jersey* Line.

You are therefore directed in the most spirited Manner to remonstrate in Congress against it, and use your Endeavours to have the Senior Battalion Officer of this State promoted to such Rank as he is justly entitled to, whenever a Promotion of that Kind shall be necessary

for the Service, and to obtain the exclusive Right of Promotion to the Officers of this State, without being connected to the Line of any other State. Nothing but a Multiplicity of important Business and a Want of Time prevents the Legislature from formally remonstrating to Congress on the Subject. Should your Endeavours be ineffectual, the Legislature may then think it necessary more directly to interfere, as they think it a Matter of the greatest Importance to do Justice, and give a reasonable Satisfaction to their Officers and Soldiers as far as in their Power.

*House of Assembly, June 27th, 1781.*

*Signed in and by Order of the House,  
JOSIAH HORNELOWER, Speaker.*

The Council having taken the foregoing Instructions into Consideration ; on the Question, Whether the House agree to the same? The Yeas and Nays were called for by Mr. Caldwell, when it was carried in the Negative, as follows :

Yeas.	Nays.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Dey,	Mr. Frelinghuysen,	Mr. Condict,
Mr. Hand.	Mr. Manning,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Symmes.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Manning do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. Manning reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

A Message from the House of Assembly, dated Yesterday, by Mr. Whilden and Mr. Marsh, in the Words following :

‘ **W**HEREAS Requisition has been made by His Excellency General Washington to the Legislature of this State, for an immediate Supply of Provisions for the Use of the Army, and the Legislature being informed that the Article of Meat is most wanted, therefore,

‘ *Resolved*, That the Contractors of this several Counties in this State herein after enumerated, be directed and required forthwith, to procure by Purchase as many Beef-Cattle or Sheep, as will be sufficient to make the following Quantities of Beef or Mutton from each County, viz.

‘ From the County of *Effex*, 7500 Pounds of Beef or Mutton.

‘ From the County of *Middlesex*, 7500 Pounds of Beef or Mutton.

‘ From the County of *Monmouth*, 18,000 Pounds of Beef or Mutton.

‘ From the County of *Somerset*, 15,000 Pounds of Beef or Mutton.

‘ From the County of *Burlington*, 21,000 Pounds of Beef or Mutton.

‘ From the County of *Gloucester*, 13,500 Pounds of Beef or Mutton.

‘ From the County of *Salem*, 15,000 Pounds of Beef or Mutton.

‘ From the County of *Cape-May*, 7500 Pounds of Beef or Mutton.

‘ From the County of *Hunterdon*, 22,500 Pounds of Beef or Mutton.

‘ From the County of *Morris*, 12,000 Pounds of Beef or Mutton.

‘ From the County of *Cumberland*, 10,500 Pounds of Beef or Mutton.

‘ From the County of *Suffex*, 12,000 Pounds of Beef or Mutton.

‘ Giving Receipts for the estimated Quantity received from each Person, payable in Gold or Silver at the Rates following ; *that is to say*, for Beef *Four-pence* by the Pound, and Mutton *Four-pence Half-penny* ; which Receipts shall be considered as so much advanced in the Payments of the Tax or Taxes raised by the Act, intitled, “ An Act for raising the Value of *One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Pounds* in Money and other Supplies, in the State of *New-Jersey*, and for other Purposes therein mentioned.” And the several Contractors are hereby required immediately, upon procuring any Cattle or Sheep by Virtue of this Resolution, to forward them to the Superintendant of Purchases of this State, or to such Place as shall be by him directed.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. Whilden and Mr. Marsh do carry the foregoing Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Council having taken the foregoing Message into Consideration,

*Resolved*, That the House concur in the Resolution therein contained.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Symmes do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. Symmes reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act to amend an Act, intitled, An Act more effectually to prevent

‘vent the Inhabitants of this State from trading with the Enemy on going within their Lines, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ was read a second Time, and amended. Ordered, That the said Bill and Amendments be read a third Time.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock, P. M.

The House met.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Carle, in the Words following :

‘Ordered, THAT Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Carle do carry to the Council the Bill, intituled, “An Act for authorizing the Governor to grant Commissions for Guard-Boats and Coasting Vessels,” and acquaint them the same is passed by this House without Amendment.’

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act more effectually to prevent the Inhabitants of this State from trading with the Enemy, or going within their Lines, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ with the Amendments, was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill, as amended, do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the said Bill and Amendments.

Ordered, That Mr. Hand do carry to the House of Assembly the said Bill and Amendments, and request their Concurrence in the said Amendments.

Mr. Hand reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. Marsh and Mr. Shreve, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to authorize the Governor or Commander in Chief of this State for the Time being, to call out a Part of the Militia of this State, and to continue them in Service for three Months,’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. Hoagland and Mr. Freeman, in the Words following :

‘THE House having taken into Consideration the Amendments made by Council to the Bill, intituled, “An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act more effectually to prevent the Inhabitants of this State from trading with the Enemy or going within their Lines, and for other Purposes therein mentioned.”

‘Resolved, That the House agree to the 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th Amendments made to the said Bill, and disagree to the other.

‘Ordered, That Mr. Hoagland and Mr. Freeman do wait on the Council, and inform them therewith.’

The Council having taken into Consideration the foregoing Message,

Resolved, That the House recede from the Amendment disagreed to by the House of Assembly.

Ordered, That Mr. Condict do carry to the House of Assembly the said Bill and Amendments, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. Condict reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to authorize the Governor or Commander in Chief of this State, for the Time being, to call out a Part of the Militia of this State, and to continue them in Service for three Months,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to authorize the Governor or Commander in Chief of this State for the Time being, to call out a Part of the Militia of this State,’ &c. was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows :

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nay.
Mr. Dey,	Mr. Frelinghuysen,	Mr. Stevens,	Mr. Symmes.
Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Hand,	Mr. Condict.	
Mr. Manning,			

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Dey do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. Dey reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. Sexton and Mr. Schenck, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their

their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for defraying fundry Incidental Charges ;’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for defraying fundry Incidental Charges,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Rennard* and Mr. *Kirkpatrick*, in the Words following :

‘ **W**HEREAS a Number of the good Citizens of this State are now Prisoners with the Enemy at *New-York*, and deprived of the Means of procuring such Supplies as are really necessary for their Subsistence,

‘ *Resolved*, That the Commissary of Prisoners be and he hereby is authorized and empowered to draw from the Superintendant of Purchases, and to send to *New-York* Half a hundred Weight of Flour per Month for each and every Officer, Non-commisioned Officer and Private of the Militia of this State, as well as for every private Citizen of the same, in actual Confinement with the Enemy at *New-York*; for which Purpose the said Commissary of Prisoners shall make monthly Returns to the Superintendant of Purchases of the Number of such Prisoners so to be supplied; and shall also quarterly settle his Accounts with the said Superintendant.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Rennard* and Mr. *Kirkpatrick* do carry the above Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Council having taken the foregoing Message into Consideration,

*Resolved*, That the House do concur in the Resolution therein contained.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Symmes* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Symmes* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The two following Messages were received from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Marsh* and Mr. *Shreve*, to wit,

‘ *Resolved*,

‘ **T**HAT *Isaac Collins*, Printer, be directed to publish in the *New-Jersey Gazette* of *Wednesday* next, a Copy of the Act, intituled, “ An Act to raise by voluntary Enlistment four hundred and fifty Men for completing the Quota of Troops belonging to this State, in the Service of the United States,” and to strike off seventy-five extra Papers, to be as soon as possible properly distributed in the several Counties where the said Gazette doth not generally circulate.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Marsh* and Mr. *Shreve* do carry the above Resolution to Council, and request their Concurrence therein.

‘ *Resolved*, That the Sheriff of the County of *Burlington* be authorized and empowered to draw from the Treasury of the State, such Sum or Sums of Money as may be necessary for supplying the State Prisoners in the Gaol of the County of *Burlington*, and for repairing the said Gaol for the Security and safe Custody of the said Prisoners, on producing a Certificate signed by the Representatives of the said County or by any two of them, specifying the Sum necessary for these Purposes, and that his Receipt be a sufficient Discharge to the said Treasurer for the Money so drawn in his Settlement with the State, and that the said Sheriff do lay his Account of the Expenditure of the said Money before the Legislature at their next Sitting, for their Allowance and Approbation.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Marsh* and Mr. *Shreve* do carry the above Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Council having taken the two foregoing Messages into Consideration,

*Resolved*, That the House concur in the Resolutions therein contained.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Frelinghuysen* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Frelinghuysen* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Nine o’Clock, To-morrow Morning.

*Thursday, June 28, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Rennard* and Mr. *Hughes*, in the Words following :

‘ *Resolved*,



‘ *Resolved,*

‘ **T**HAT the Doorkeeper of the Council, and the Doorkeeper of the House of Assembly, be allowed the Sum of *Two Shillings and Six-pence* per Day each, for his Services during the present Sitting of the Legislature, in Addition to the Wages allowed them by Law, to be drawn on Certificates authenticated in like Manner.’

‘ *Ordered,* That Mr. *Rennard* and Mr. *Hughes* do carry the above Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The House having taken the foregoing Message into Consideration,

*Resolved,* That the House do concur therein.

*Ordered,* That Mr. *Condict* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Fenimore* and Mr. *Carle*, in the Words following :

‘ *Resolved,*

‘ **T**HAT His Excellency the Governor or the Commander in Chief of this State be requested to direct the Commissary of Prisoners forthwith to remove all Persons formerly Inhabitants of this State, who are now Prisoners to the United States, and that may be on Parole within ten Miles of the said Lines ; and that if for the Future any Prisoners should be found remaining within such Distance of the said Lines, His Excellency be requested to direct all military Officers in this State to apprehend and secure the same in the Gaol of the County where the said Prisoners may be found, and confine them until paroled as aforesaid.

‘ *Ordered,* That Mr. *Fenimore* and Mr. *Carle* do carry the said Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Council having taken the foregoing Message into Consideration,

*Resolved,* That the House do concur in the Resolution therein contained,

*Ordered,* That Mr. *Symmes* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Symmes* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Rennard* and Mr. *Hughes*, in the Words following :

‘ *Ordered,*

‘ **T**HAT Mr. *Rennard* and Mr. *Hughes* do carry back to the Council the re-engrossed Bill, intituled, “ An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act more effectually to prevent the Inhabitants of this State from trading with the Enemy or going within their Lines, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,” and acquaint them, the same is passed by this House with their Amendments.’

Which re-engrossed Bill having been read and compared,

*Resolved,* That the same do pass.

*Ordered,* That the Vice-President do sign the same.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for defraying sundry Incidental Charges,’ was read a third Time ; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass ? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered,* That the Vice-President do sign the same.

*Ordered,* That Mr. *Condict* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. *Condict* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The Honourable *Josiah Hornblower* Esq. Speaker of the House of Assembly, came into Council, and acquainted the Vice-President that the House of Assembly were adjourned to *Wednesday*, the 19th Day of *September* next, at Ten o’Clock *A. M.* then to meet at *Princeton*.

Whereupon the Council adjourned to meet at the same Time and Place.

P R I N C E T O N, *Wednesday September 19, 1781.*

P R E S E N T.

His Excellency the GOVERNOR,  
Mr. COOPER, Mr. HAND,  
Mr. CRIPPS, Mr. MANNING.

THERE not being a sufficient Number of Members present to proceed to Business—  
adjourned till To-morrow.

*Thursday, September 20, 1781.*

P R E S E N T,

His Excellency the GOVERNOR,  
The VICE-PRESIDENT.

Mr. COOPER, Mr. HAND, Mr. MANNING.  
Mr. CRIPPS, Mr. DEY,

Adjourned till To-morrow Morning Ten o'Clock.

*Friday, September 21, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before.

*Ephraim Harris*, Esq. produced a Certificate of his being duly elected a Member of this House for the County of *Cumberland*, which was read, and he thereupon took and subscribed the Oaths prescribed by Law, before the Honourable *John Stevens*, Esq. one of the Members of this House, and took his Seat accordingly.

Mr. *Cooper*, with Leave of the House, brought in a Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to require ‘Sheriffs to give Security, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

A Message from the House of Assembly, dated the 19th Instant, by Mr. *Winds* and Mr. *Shreve*, in the Words following :

‘Ordered,

‘THAT Mr. *Winds* and Mr. *Shreve* do wait on the Council, and inform them that a Quorum of the Assembly have met, and this Day proceeded to Business.’

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Sparks* and Mr. *S. Ogden*, in the Words following :

‘Ordered,

‘THAT Mr. *Sparks* and Mr. *S. Ogden* do carry to Council the Bill, intituled, “An Act for procuring to *Thomas Marshall* a Title for certain Lands in the County of *Gloucester*, purchased by his Father *Randall Marshall*, deceased, of *John Hinchman*, now a Fugitive with the Enemy,” and acquaint them that the same is passed by this House without Amendment.’

Mr. *Sparks* and Mr. *S. Ogden*, from the House of Assembly, also presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Warrant entitling *Grace Malleby* do draw her late Husband's Half-pay.

The House adjourned till Nine o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Saturday, September 22, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Warrant entitling *Grace Malleby* to draw her late Husband's Half-pay ;

*Resolved*, That the House do concur therein.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cripps* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Cripps* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cooper* and Mr. *Harris* be a Committee to examine and revise the Transcript of the Journals of last Sitting, and that after such Examination and Revival, *Isaac Collins* be directed to print them.

The House adjourned till Monday Morning Ten o'Clock.

Monday, September 24, 1781.

The House met.

P R E S E N T,  
His Excellency the GOVERNOR.  
The VICE-PRESIDENT,

Mr. COOPER,	Mr. MANNING,	Mr. SYMMES,
Mr. HARRIS,	Mr. CRIPPS,	Mr. DEY.
Mr. HAND,	Mr. TALLMAN,	

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to require Sheriffs to give Security, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,' was read a second Time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. *Lindfly* and Mr. *Bunn*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, Warrants entitling *Elizabeth Noble*, *Rebecca Garrison*, *Priscilla Goff*, *Mary Jones* and *Ruth Smith*, to draw their late Huibands Half-pay.

*Ordered*, That *James M'Comb*, Esq. State-Clothier, be required to attend this House To-morrow Morning at Eleven o'Clock, to answer such Questions as may be put to him relative to his Conduct in Office in the late Recess of the Legislature; and that the Clerk of this House serve a Copy of the foregoing Order on the said *James M'Comb*, Esq.

The House adjourned till Nine o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

Tuesday, September 25, 1781.

The House met—Present as before, and Mr. *Frelinghuysen*, and Mr. *Caldwell*.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Lambert* and Mr. *Hoagland*, in the Words following:

WHEREAS *Elias Woodruff*, Commissary of Military Stores of this State, has resigned his Appointment; therefore,

*Resolved*, That *James M'Comb*, Esq. be, and he is hereby appointed Commissary of Military Stores of this State, in the Room of the said *Elias Woodruff*, Esq. and that he be vested with the same Powers, perform the like Duties, and receive the same Rewards for his Services; and that he, the said *James M'Comb*, be authorized and required to call upon the said *Elias Woodruff* for the Military Stores in his Custody belonging to the State, and to take Charge thereof; and that the said *Elias Woodruff* be directed to deliver the same accordingly.

*Resolved*, That the said *Elias Woodruff* be directed to render an Account to the Legislature at their present Sitting of the Monies by him received and disbursed for the Use of his Department, and of the Discharge of the other Duties of his late Appointment.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lambert* and Mr. *Hoagland* do carry the above Resolutions to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, 'An Act to require Sheriffs to give Security, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,' was read and compared; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Cooper* do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. *Cooper* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. *Kirkpatrick* and Mr. *Suidam*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for the Relief of *Adam Boyd*, Sheriff of the County of *Bergen*, respecting the Loss of a Sum of publick Money by the Enemy,’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned till Nine o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Wednesday, September 26, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before.

The House adjourned till Nine o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Thursday, September 27, 1781.*

The House met.

P R E S E N T,  
The VICE-PRESIDENT.

Mr. HAND,	Mr. CONDUCT,	Mr. CALDWELL,
Mr. COOPER,	Mr. TALLMAN,	Mr. DEY,
Mr. CRIPPS,	Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN,	Mr. MANNING.
Mr. HARRIS,		

Mr. *Cooper*, with Leave of the House, brought in a Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to prevent certain publick Officers drawing double Pay,’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Message from the House of Assembly of the 25th Instant, relative to the Appointment of *James M’Comb*, Esq. as Commissary of Military Stores of this State;

*Resolved unanimously*, That the House do not concur in the Resolutions therein contained.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Caldwell* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Caldwell* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to extend the Powers of Magistrates in the several Counties of this State in the Trial of small Causes, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Negative, as follows:

Yeas.	Nays.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. Hand,	Mr. Dey,	Mr. Tallman,	Mr. Stevens,
Mr. Condiēt.	Mr. Caldwell,	Mr. Cooper,	Mr. Harris,
	Mr. Manning,	Mr. Cripps,	Mr. Symmes.
	Mr. Frelinghuysen,		

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Caldwell* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is negatived by this House.

Mr. *Caldwell* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for the Relief of *Adam Boyd*, Sheriff of the County of *Bergen*, respecting the Loss of a Sum of publick Money by the Enemy,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

On Motion,

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer of this State be directed immediately to prosecute the delinquent County Collectors pursuant to Law.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Condiēt* do carry the above Resolution to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Whilden* and Mr. *Camp*, in the Words following:

‘ WHEREAS

WHEREAS *Elias Woodruff*, Commissary of Military Stores of this State, has resigned his Appointment; therefore,

Resolved, That Lieutenant *James Hamilton* be, and he is hereby appointed Commissary of Military Stores of this State, in the Room of the said *Elias Woodruff*, and that he be vested with the same Powers, perform the like Duties, and receive the same Rewards for his Services; and that he, the said *James Hamilton* be authorized and required to call upon the said *Elias Woodruff* for the Military Stores in his Custody belonging to the State, and to take Charge thereof; and that the said *Elias Woodruff* be directed to deliver the same accordingly.

Resolved, That the said *Elias Woodruff* be directed to render an Account to the Legislature at their next Sitting, of the Monies by him received and disbursed for the Use of his Department, and of the Discharge of the other Duties of his late Appointment.

Resolved, That His Excellency the Governor be requested immediately to apply to the Board of War for a Supply of Ammunition for the Use of this State in the present Emergency, and that the Commissary of Military Stores be directed forthwith to cause the same to be transported, in case the said Application to the Board of War proves effectual, to the Magazine of this State, to be dealt out to the Militia agreeably to Law.

Ordered, That Mr. *Wilson* and Mr. *Camp* do carry the said Resolutions to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.

The Council having taken the foregoing Resolutions into Consideration,

Resolved, That the House concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *Condict* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Condict* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The House adjourned till Nine o'Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Friday, September 28, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before.

Resolved, That *James Hamilton*, Commissary of Military Stores for this State, be directed to draw from the Treasury the Sum of *Two Hundred Pounds* for the Use of his Department, whose Receipt shall be a sufficient Voucher to the Treasurer for the said Sum in the payment of his Accounts.

Ordered, That Mr. *Carle* and Mr. *Whilden* do carry the above Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.

The Council having taken into Consideration the foregoing Resolution,

Resolved, That the House concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hand* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Hand* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House withdrew to attend a Joint-Meeting—after some Time the House returned, and adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met, and withdrew to attend a Joint-Meeting—after some Time the House returned, and adjourned till To-morrow Morning Nine o'Clock.

*Saturday, September 29, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before.

The House withdrew to attend a Joint-Meeting—after some Time the House returned.

Mr. *Cooper* has Leave of Absence for the Remainder of this Sitting.

The House adjourned till Monday Afternoon Three o'Clock.

*Monday, October 1, 1781.*

The House met.

P R E S E N T,  
His Excellency the GOVERNOR.

Mr. CONDICT,	Mr. MANNING,	Mr. DEY,
Mr. HAND,	Mr. CALDWELL,	Mr. LAWRENCE,
Mr. HARRIS,	Mr. CRIPPS,	Mr. SYMMES.

Mr.

Mr. *Caldwell*, with Leave of the House, brought in a Bill, intituled, ‘ A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act more effectually to prevent the Inhabitants of this State from trading with the Enemy or going within their Lines, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Smith* and Mr. *Blanch*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable *Isaac Watson*, surviving Executor of the Last Will and Testament of *Samuel Watson*, deceased, to fulfil the Purposes of the said Will,’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

A Petition from a Number of the Inhabitants of the Counties of *Somerset* and *Middlesex*, praying, that the Paper Money collected by the late Tax of £ 150,000 may be sunk, was read, and sent to the House of Assembly.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Warrants entitling *Elizabeth Noble*, *Rebecca Garrison*, *Priscilla Goff*, *Mary Jones* and *Ruth Smith*, to draw their late Husbands Half-pay, with the Papers accompanying the same; and, after some Time spent therein,

*Resolved*, That the further Consideration thereof be deferred until the Opinion of the Attorney-General can be had on the Law allowing Half-pay.

The House adjourned till Nine o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Tuesday, October 2, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Accounts as reported (by the Committee appointed to examine and settle such publick Accounts as might be referred to them) on the 8th Day of *January* last, with the Resolution accompanying the same from the House of Assembly;

*Resolved*, That the House concur therein.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lawrence* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act to amend an Act, intituled, ‘ An Act more effectually to prevent the Inhabitants of this State from trading with the Enemy, or going within their Lines, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ was read a second Time, and ordered to be engrossed.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for the Relief of *Adam Boyd*, Sheriff of the County of *Bergen*, ‘ respecting the Loss of a Sum of publick Money by the Enemy,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nay.
Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Harris</i> ,	Mr. <i>Condict</i> .
Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cripps</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .	
Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hand</i> ,		

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lawrence* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. *Lawrence* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to enable *Isaac Watson*, surviving Executor of the Last Will and Testament of *Samuel Watson*, deceased, to fulfil the Purposes of the said Will,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to prevent certain publick Officers drawing double Pay,’ was read a second Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill be engrossed? It passed in the Negative, as follows:

Yea.	Nays.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .	Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Condict</i> ,
	Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Cripps</i> ,	Mr. <i>Harris</i> .
	Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hand</i> ,	

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘ A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act to amend an Act,

‘ Act, intitled, An Act more effectually to prevent the Inhabitants of this State from trading with the Enemy, or going within their Lines, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ was read and compared; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered,* That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered,* That Mr. Dey do carry the said Bill to the House of Assembly, and request their Concurrence therein.

Mr. Dey reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. Scabrook and Mr. Walling, in the Words following :

‘ *Resolved,*

‘ **T**HAT the Treasurer be directed to advance to Captain *Jonathan Holmes* the Sum of ‘ *Thirty Pounds* in the Bills of Credit of this State, to be deducted from such Sums as may be due to him on Account of Depreciation.

‘ *Ordered,* That Mr. Scabrook and Mr. Walling do carry the said Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The Council having taken the foregoing Message into Consideration,

*Resolved,* That the House do concur therein.

*Ordered,* That Mr. Manning do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. Manning reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Nine o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Wednesday, October 3, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before, and the Vice-President.

The Bill, intitled, ‘ An Act to enable *Ijaac Watson*, surviving Executor of the Last Will and Testament of *Samuel Watson*, deceased, to fulfil the Purposes of the said Will,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered,* That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered,* That Mr. Harris do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. Harris reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The following two Messages were received from the House of Assembly by Mr. Mayhew and Mr. Hildreth, in the Words following :

‘ **T**HE House having taken into Consideration the Message from the Council of the 27th ‘ *Ultimo*, with the Resolution therein contained, relative to the Prosecution of delin- ‘ quent Collectors.

‘ *Resolved,* That the House do not concur in the Resolution therein contained.

‘ *Ordered,* That Mr. Mayhew and Mr. Hildreth do wait upon the Council, and acquaint ‘ them therewith.’

‘ **W**HEREAS the present Legislature at their first Sitting did allow to *Elisba Boudinot*, ‘ Esquire, the Balance of an Account in Favour of *Lewis Pintard*, Esquire, for the ‘ Payment of which on Behalf of the State the said *Elisba Boudinot* had become responsible, ‘ without giving any Directions for the Payment of the said Balance; therefore,

‘ *Resolved,* That the Treasurer be directed to pay the Sum of *One Hundred and Seventy- ‘ five Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Nine-pence*, the Balance of the said Account in Specie, ‘ to *Elisba Boudinot*, Esquire, or his Order, whose Receipt, or that of the Person in whose ‘ Favour the Order shall be given, shall be a sufficient Voucher to the said Treasurer for so ‘ much Money in the Settlement of his Accounts.

‘ *Ordered,* That Mr. Mayhew and Mr. Hildreth do carry the said Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.

‘ *Resolved,* That *George Anderson*, Esq. of the County of *Burlington*, and *Benjamin Smith*, ‘ Esq. and *Charles Asford*, jun. of the County of *Hunterdon*, or any two of them, be, and ‘ they hereby are appointed to inspect, cancel and put up into sealed Bundles the Sum of ‘ £ 48,750 including Principal and Interest of the Bills of Credit emitted pursuant to the ‘ Resolutions of Congress of *March 18th, 1780*, and that they meet for that Purpose at such

‘ Time and at such Place as shall be notified to them by the Treasurer of the State, who is hereby required to give such Notice to the said Persons accordingly, and to lay before them Bills to the aforefaid Amount, within ten Days after the first Day of *January* next, if the said Sum of the before-mentioned Emission shall have been received into the Treasury within that Time, or otherwise as soon thereafter as so much Money of the said Emission shall come into his Hands, and the said Person, so appointed, shall deliver the sealed Bundle cancelled as aforefaid to the Treasurer of the State, to be by him laid before the Legislature to be inspected and destroyed, and shall also lay an Account of the Numbers and Denominations of the Bills so cancelled, attested on Oath before the Legislature at their next Sitting thereafter, together with an Account of the Expences incurred by this Service for their Allowance and Settlement.

‘ *Resolved*, That the Treasurer of the State be directed to pursue the Measures prescribed by Law, for the Recovery of the Deficiencies on the late Tax.

‘ *Ordered*, That Mr. *Mayhew* and Mr. *Hildreth* do carry the above Resolution to the Council for their Concurrence.’

The Council having taken the two foregoing Messages into Consideration,

*Resolved*, That the House do concur in the Resolutions therein contained.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Dey* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Dey* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

Mr. *Fenimore* and Mr. *Schenck*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for recovering the Arrearages of certain Taxes,’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Blanch* and Mr. *Marsh*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Warrant entitling *Rachel Corey*, late *Dallas*, Widow of Capt. *Archibald Dallas*, to draw her late Husband’s Half-pay, &c.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for recovering the Arrearages of certain Taxes,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The House adjourned till Nine o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Thursday, October 4, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before.

Mr. *Sparks* and Mr. *Sexton*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to dissolve the Marriage of *Aaron Chew* with *Elizabeth* his Wife,’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Warrant entitling *Rachel Corey*, late *Dallas*, Widow of Capt. *Archibald Dallas*, to draw her late Husband’s Half-pay, &c.

*Resolved*, That the House do concur therein.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Condict* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. *Condict* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. *G. Ogden* and Mr. *Bunn*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House the three following Bills for their Concurrence: A Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to maintain and establish the Milldam erected by *Charles Suidam* on the *Raritan* River near *Raritan* Landing;’ a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to repeal the several Acts made and provided for the Clothing of the Quota of Troops belonging to this State, in the Service of the United States, and for other Purposes therein mentioned;’ a Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for vesting in *Richard Morris*, Esq. the Power and Authority, Title and Estate given unto *David Ogden* and *Richard Morris* by the Last Will and Testament of *Robert-Hunter Morris*, Esq. deceased, and for other Purposes therein mentioned;’ which three several Bills were read, and ordered a second Reading.

The House adjourned till Three o’Clock in the Afternoon



The House met.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act for recovering the Arrearages of certain Taxes,' was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the Vice-President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Hand* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House.

Mr. *Van-Cleve* and Mr. *Lindfly*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, the two following Bills: A Bill, intituled, 'An Act for vesting the Agency for the *West-Jersey* Society in *Joseph Rosd*, Esq. one of the said Society;' a Bill, intituled, 'An Act for vesting in *James Whitlock* the equal Half-Part of a certain Tract of Land in the County of *Monmouth*;' which two Bills were read, and ordered a second Reading.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act for vesting in *Richard Morris*, Esq. the Power, Authority, Title and Estate given unto *David Ogden* and *Richard Morris* by the Last Will and Testament of *Robert-Hunter Morris*, Esq. deceased, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to repeal the several Acts made and provided for the Clothing of the Quota of Troops belonging to this State, in the Service of the United States, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to maintain and establish the Milldam erected by *Charles Suddam* on the *Raritan* River near *Raritan* Landing,' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to dissolve the Marriage of *Aaron Chew* with *Elizabeth* his Wife,' was read a second Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill be read a third Time? It was carried in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Hand* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is negatived by this House.

Mr. *Lambert* and Mr. *Whilden*, from the House of Assembly, brought back to this House the Bill, intituled, 'An Act to require Sheriffs to give Security, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,' with sundry Amendments made thereto, to which Amendments they requested the Concurrence of this House.

The Council having taken the foregoing Amendments into Consideration,

*Resolved*, That the House agree to the said Amendments.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill with the Amendments be re-engrossed.

Mr. *Hand* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

Mr. *Scudder* and Mr. *Shreve*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, the following Instructions to the Delegates of this State, in the Congress of the United States:

'To the Honourable JOHN WITHERSPOON, ABRAHAM CLARK, WILLIAM CHURCHILL HOUSTON, JONATHAN ELMER and ELIAS BOUDINOT, Esqrs. or any two of them.

**T**HE Legislature of this State, ever anxious for the equal Safety and Benefit of the United States at large, and of that which they have the Honour to represent in particular, and considering themselves as the immediate Guardians of all their Citizens, and at the same Time being unsatisfied with the partial Concession made by the State of *Virginia* respecting the Western unappropriated Lands, commonly called the Crown-Lands, and finding by a Representation and Petition herewith transmitted to you, that a Number of their good Citizens complain of great Injury done them by the said State of *Virginia*, have judged it necessary to furnish you with the following Directions and Instructions, with which they urge your speedy Compliance.

*First*. You are to embrace the earliest Opportunity of again calling the Attention of Congress to the Representation and Remonstrance of the Legislature of this State, as agreed to by the General Assembly on the 29th of *December* last, and concurred in by Council on the 3d of *January* following, and of urging them in the most importunate Manner speedily to render all that national Justice which the same so properly and so earnestly solicits, and which can only be obtained from that honourable Body who are the common Guardians of the Union.

*Secondly*.

*Secondly.* In the Prosecution of this necessary Business you will take the Advice and Assistance of the Delegates of such States as are more immediately interested in the Success of the said Representation and Remonstrance, that they may have an Opportunity of joining you in a warm and spirited Address to the United States in Congress assembled, for Redress of the Grievances set forth in the same.

*Thirdly.* You are directed, in Behalf of the State you represent, to apply for and obtain of that Honourable Body a speedy and impartial Hearing and Decision on the Case of the Proprietors of a Tract of Land called *Indiana*, with the State of *Virginia*, as a Number of our good Citizens are suffering great Injury for Want of such Decision, and have no other Tribunal to which they can appeal, and as a Delay of Justice is in many Cases to Individuals as pernicious as a total Denial of it.

Another Affair of Consequence which attracts the Notice of the Legislature at this Time, and to which they with the Attention of Congress, is a Division of the Islands and Bars in *Delaware Bay and River*, between this State and those of *Pennsylvania and Delaware*. You are therefore to apply to Congress to annex all such of those Islands and Bars as lie between the *Jersey Shore* and the main Channel of *Delaware Bay and River* to this State, with the Right of Soil and Jurisdiction, saving and reserving to all Persons their legal and equitable Claims; and you are to give Notice to the Delegates of the States of *Pennsylvania and Delaware* of this intended Application, that their Legislatures may appoint Commissioners to join Commissioners to be appointed by this State, to proceed to the Division of the said Islands and Bars, so soon as Congress may have agreed to the same.

Signed in and by Order of the House,

House of Assembly, October 4, 1781.

JOSIAH HORNBLOWER, Speaker.

The House adjourned till To-morrow Morning Nine o'Clock.

Friday, October 5, 1781.

The House met—Present as before.

A Message was received from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Sexton* and Mr. *Schenck*, dated Yesterday, in the Words following:

‘ Resolved,

‘ THAT the Superintendant of Purchases of this State be authorized and required to give Orders to the Contractors of the several Counties of *Bergen, Essex, Middlesex, Monmouth* and *Somerset*, to draw from the Collectors of their respective Counties for the Purchase of Provisions for the said Troops and Militia, stationed on the Frontiers, any Sum not exceeding the Sums following, in Specie, that is to say,

‘ The Contractor of the County of *Bergen*, - £ 100

‘ The Contractor of the County of *Essex*, - - 200

‘ The Contractor of the County of *Middlesex*, - 100

‘ The Contractor of the County of *Monmouth*, - 200

‘ The Contractor of the County of *Somerset*, - 200

‘ Or in case any of the said Collectors shall have already paid forward the Specie by him received in Payment of Tax into the Treasury, that then the Superintendant do give Orders to the Contractor of such County, to draw any Sum not exceeding the Sum aforesaid annexed to such County from the Treasurer of the State, and the Receipts of the said Contractors respectively shall be sufficient Vouchers to the said Collectors and to the Treasurer in the Settlement of their Accounts.

‘ Ordered, That Mr. *Sexton* and Mr. *Schenck* do carry the said Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’

The re-engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act to require Sheriffs to give Security, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ was read and compared; on the Question, Whether the said re-engrossed Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

Ordered, That the President do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. *Simons* do carry the said re-engrossed Bill to the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House with their Amendments.

The Bill, intituled, ‘ An Act for vesting in *Richard Morris*, Esq. the Power, Authority, Title and Estate given unto *David Ogden* and *Richard Morris* by the Last Will and Testament

ment of *Robert-Hunter Morris*, Esq. deceased, and for other Purposes therein mentioned, was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .	Mr. <i>Cripps</i> ,
Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Hand</i> ,		Mr. <i>Condict</i> ,
Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stevens</i> ,		Mr. <i>Harris</i> .

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Symmes* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to maintain and establish the Milldam erected by *Charles Suidam* on the *Raritan* River near *Raritan* Landing,' was read the third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? The Votes were as follows:

Yeas.	Yeas.	Nays.	Nays.
Mr. <i>Dey</i> ,	Mr. <i>Harris</i> ,	Mr. <i>Caldwell</i> ,	Mr. <i>Stevens</i> ,
Mr. <i>Manning</i> ,	Mr. <i>Symmes</i> .	Mr. <i>Lawrence</i> ,	Mr. <i>Condict</i> .
Mr. <i>Cripps</i> ,		Mr. <i>Hand</i> ,	

Whereby it appears, that there were not seven Members present voting for the said Bill, and therefore the same did not pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Symmes* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act to repeal the several Acts made and provided for the Clothing of the Quota of Troops belonging to this State, in the Service of the United States, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,' was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Symmes* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. *Symmes* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Instructions to the Delegates of this State, in the Congress of the United States, sent from the House of Assembly for Concurrence,

*Resolved*, That the House do concur therein.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Manning* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

The Council having taken into Consideration the Message from the House of Assembly of this Day, relative to authorizing the Superintendent of Purchases to give Orders to the Contractors of *Bergen*, *Essex*, *Middlesex*, *Monmouth* and *Somerset*, to draw from the Collectors certain Sums of Money in Specie, for the Purchase of Provisions, &c.

*Resolved*, That the House do concur in the Resolution therein contained.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Manning* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act for vesting the Agency for the *West-Jersey* Society in *Joseph Reed*, Esq. one of the said Society,' was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act for vesting in *James Whitlock* the equal Half-Part of a certain Tract of Land in the County of *Monmouth*,' was read a second Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill be read a third Time? It was carried in the Negative.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Manning* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is rejected by this House.

The House adjourned till Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

The House met.

The Bill, intituled, 'An Act for vesting the Power of Agency for the *West-Jersey* Society in *Joseph Reed*, Esq. one of the said Society,' was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Manning* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

Mr. *Manning* reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

Mr. *Scabrook* and Mr. *Shreve*, from the House of Assembly, brought back to this House, the Bill, intituled, ‘A Supplement to the Act, intituled, An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act more effectually to prevent the Inhabitants of this State from trading with the Enemy, or going within their Lines, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,’ with sundry Amendments made thereto by the House of Assembly, and also the Title altered to ‘An Act to repeal Part of a certain Act therein mentioned,’ to which Amendments they requested the Concurrence of this House.

The House having taken the said Amendments into Consideration,

*Resolved*, That the House agree to the same.

*Ordered*, That the said Bill be re-engrossed with the said Amendments.

The House adjourned till Nine o’Clock To-morrow Morning.

*Saturday, October 6, 1781.*

The House met—Present as before, except Mr. *Caldwell*.

The re-engrossed Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to repeal Part of a certain Act therein mentioned,’ was read and compared,

*Resolved*, That the said Bill do pass.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Harris* do carry the said re-engrossed Bill to the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House with their Amendments.

Mr. *Harris* reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

Mr. *Hughes* and Mr. *Carle*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to defray sundry Incidental Charges,’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

Mr. *Van-Cleve* and Mr. *Blanch*, from the House of Assembly, presented to this House, for their Concurrence, a Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act for regulating the Election of Members of the Legislative-Council and Assembly, Sheriffs and Coroners of the State of *New-Jersey*, and also to direct the Election of Delegates to represent the said State in the Congress of the United States,’ which was read, and ordered a second Reading.

The said Bill was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act for defraying sundry Incidental Charges,’ was read a second Time, and ordered a third Reading.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to amend an Act, intituled, An Act for regulating the Election of Members of the Legislative-Council and Assembly,’ &c. was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Condict* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House without Amendment.

The Bill, intituled, ‘An Act to defray sundry Incidental Charges,’ was read a third Time; on the Question, Whether the said Bill do pass? It passed in the Affirmative, *Nem. Con.*

*Ordered*, That the President do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Condict* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them that the said Bill is passed by this House.

A Message from the House of Assembly, by Mr. *Hughes* and Mr. *Carle*, in the Words following:

‘*Resolved*,

‘**T**HAT the Treasurer of the State be directed to pay to *Elias Woodruff*, Esq. of *Princeton*, or his Order, the Sum of *Two Hundred and Fourteen Pounds Seventeen Shillings and Six-pence* in Specie, as soon as the State of the Treasury will admit thereof, for five hundred and fifty-five Weight of salted Beef, three hundred and thirty-three Gallons of *West-India* Rum, and two Gallons of *Teneriffe* Wine, delivered to the revolted *Pennsylvania* Troops in the Month of *January* 1781, and the Receipt of the said *Elias Woodruff*, or of the Person to whom his Order shall be made payable, shall be a sufficient Voucher to the said Treasurer for the Money so paid in his Settlement with the State.

‘*Ordered*, That Mr. *Hughes* and Mr. *Carle* do carry the said Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.’ The

The Council having taken the foregoing Resolution into Consideration,

*Resolved*, That the House do concur therein.

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Condict* do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Also the following Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Hughes* and Mr. *Carle* :

1<sup>st</sup>. *Resolved*,

THAT the Treasurer of the State be required immediately to call upon the several County Collectors to transmit to him all the Continental Certificates in their Hands received in Payment of Tax, and that he deliver the said Certificates to the Heads of the several Departments or their Agents in *Philadelphia* agreeably to Law, and that he procure the same to be credited with the Interest and Depreciation due thereon to the Account of this State in the Books of the Superintendent of Finance or in the Treasury Books of the United States, on or before the first Day of *December* next ensuing.

2<sup>d</sup>. That the Treasurer be also directed to obtain Credit for the Specie Certificates given by the Commissary or Quartermaster-Generals Department, which have or may come into his Hands in Payment of Tax with Interest therefor, in like Manner as for the Certificates in Continental Bills of Credit.

3<sup>d</sup>. That as it appears by the Letters from the Superintendent of Finance, that he is urgent to settle the Accounts of this State with the United States, the Auditor of Accounts be required as soon as possible to make a Settlement with him as far as can be done, both with Respect to the Balance in Continental Bills of Credit and in Specie; that for this Purpose the Auditor be directed to call upon the Superintendent of Purchases for a complete Return of Purchases and Deliveries, together with their Value, previous to the Requisitions of Congress for specifick Supplies, and that the Superintendent be directed to procure Returns from the several Contractors accordingly, and also of the Purchases and Deliveries of Articles of Supply posterior to the said Requisition, if such Returns are not already in his Possession, and to forward the same to the Auditor with the utmost Dispatch.

4<sup>th</sup>. That His Excellency the Governor be requested to transmit to the Superintendent of Finance Copies of the several Acts passed for the Collection of Taxes and furnishing Supplies to the United States since *March* 18<sup>th</sup>, 1780.

5<sup>th</sup>. That with Respect to the Consequence of the Operation of the Taxes laid by this State, His Excellency be requested to inform the said Superintendent of Finance, that the next Legislature, upon a Settlement of the Treasurer's Accounts, will be enabled to comply with his Request with much greater Accuracy and Precision than can be done at this Time.

6<sup>th</sup> That in the mean-time he be informed that the Multiplicity of Certificates in the Hands of the Inhabitants of this State, and the large Arrears of Pay due to the Militia perpetually called out upon Duty for the Defence of the Union, of which the exposed and embarrassed Condition of the State has hitherto prevented a full Discharge and final Adjustment, have been and still are heavy Clogs and almost insurmountable Obstacles to a speedy and efficacious Collection of Taxes, and that this Business has been rendered still more difficult by the very great Sums justly due to the Inhabitants of this State for Supplies, for which only Receipts or other imperfect Vouchers have been given by Military Officers and others in the Service of the United States, for the Settlement of which the State has been hitherto unable to devise a Mode, and for which, if settled, the Legislature has not yet full Assurance of being credited by the United States.

7<sup>th</sup>. That His Excellency the Governor be requested to inform the said Superintendent of Finance of the Amount in Circulation of the State Money and Bills of the Emission of *March* 18<sup>th</sup>, 1780, both of which can be precisely and clearly ascertained, and that it is impracticable to determine with any Degree of Certainty the Amount of the Continental Bills of Credit which may be in the State, but that they are scarcely, if at all, made use of as a Medium of Circulation for the Purpose of Commerce.

8<sup>th</sup>. That His Excellency the Governor be requested, if he shall judge it necessary, to acquaint the Superintendent of Finance what Sum of Money is at present in the Treasury, and that the necessary Appropriation of the same will exceed the Amount at this Time in the Disposal of this State, but that it is impossible to ascertain the Sum expected to be paid in as the Produce of Taxes, because it cannot be determined what Proportion of these Taxes will be liquidated in Certificates and Receipts, for Provisions, Forage, and other specifick Articles of Supply.

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer of this State be authorized and required to pay unto Col. *John Neilson*, Esq. D. Q. M. of this State, or his Order, on Account of the United States,

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the Sum of One Thousand Six Hundred and Seventy Pounds Twelve Shillings and Six-pence, being the Amount of a Requisition of Robert Morris, Esq. Superintendant of Finance of the United States, and the Receipt of the said John Neilson, or of the Person to whom the same is made payable, shall be a sufficient Voucher to the Treasurer for so much Money in the Settlement of his Accounts.

Ordered, That Mr. Hughes and Mr. Carle do carry the said Resolutions to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.

The Council having taken the foregoing Resolutions into Consideration,

Resolved, That the House concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. Condict do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. Suidam and Mr. Wins, in the Words following :

Resolved,

THAT Isaac Collins be requested to insert in his next Week's News-Paper, a Copy of the Act, intituled, "An Act for recovering the Arrearages of certain Taxes," also a Copy of the Act, intituled, "An Act to require Sheriffs to give Security, and for other Purposes therein mentioned," and to strike off one hundred and fifty extra Papers on Account of the State, to be forwarded to the respective Counties in the usual Proportion.

Ordered, That Mr. Suidam and Mr. Wins do carry the said Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.

The Council having taken the foregoing Resolution into Consideration,

Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. Condict do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. Condict reported, that he had obeyed the several Orders of the House of this Day.

Mr. Symmes, from the Committee appointed to examine and settle such publick Accounts, as might be referred to them during the Sitting of the Legislature, acquainted the House, that he was ready to make Report when the House would be pleased to receive the same.

Ordered, That the said Report be made immediately :

Whereupon Mr. Symmes reported, that there is due to the several Persons undernamed, the Sums annexed to their respective Names, that is to say,

No. 1. To Jonathan Elmer, for Medicines and Attendance for James Owens, a Prisoner of War,	£. 6 15 0
2. To Silas Condict, Esq. for registering Certificates of Half-Pay,	1 18 2
3. To Abraham Winans, for Doctors Bill, monthly Pay, Spirits, &c.	34 14 6
4. To Sylvester Marius, for nursing and monthly Pay, while wounded,	16 0 0
5. To Captain Joseph Horton, for himself and others, employed in building a Beacon in 1779,	8 16 0
6. To Jacobus Hubbard, for Medicines and Attendance on a wounded Soldier of the State Troops under the Command of Col. Asper Holmes, in September and October 1780,	3 13 6
7. To Philip Fack, for a Gun and Accoutrements lost in the Service,	3 10 0
8. To John Bennet, for nursing and Attendance on a wounded Soldier of the State Regiment, in October 1780,	5 0 0
9. To Timothy Jones, jun. for Medicines and Attendance for Timothy Ford, a wounded Militia Man,	33 3 0
10. To Abraham Kelley, for a Rifle and Accoutrements, lost in the Service,	5 0 0
11. To Benjamin Woodruff, for a Gun and Accoutrements lost in the Service,	3 15 0
12. To James Cooper, for one Musket, lost in the Service,	2 0 0
13. To Timothy Jones, for Medicines and Attendance for Calvin Wilson, a Militia Man,	2 16 0
14. To Jeremiah Thatcher, for a Gun and Accoutrements, lost in the Service,	3 10 0
15. To Peter Wilson, Esq. for the Use of Lawrence Akerman, for transporting Ammunition from Princeton to Hackinsack,	3 7 6
16. To John King, for monthly Pay and Attendance of Aaron King, a wounded Soldier,	13 2 6
17. To William Faulkner, for conveying of Prisoners from Bridgeton in Cumberland County to Philadelphia,	12 3 2
18. To Jesse Woodruff, for a Gun lost in the Service in December 1776,	3 10 0
19. To	

19. To William Lowe, for Expences of himself and Guard, in conveying British Prisoners to Philadelphia, per Account,	6	0	0
20. To Charles Loveland, jun. for Service performed in driving Cattle off the Beach, by Order of Joseph Borden, Esq.	7	5	-
✓ 21. To James Ogden, for a Gun and Accoutrements lost in the Service,	3	10	0
✓ 22. To Nicholas Roach, for Medicines and Attendance on Captain John Ostwater, wounded in the Service,	4	17	6
✓ 23. To Peter Wilson, Esq. for the Use of Henry Berkfield, for a Gun and Accoutrements, lost in the Service,	3	10	0
✓ 24. To Peter Tice, for boarding and nursing Vanderhull and Hill, Militia Men wounded in the Service,	5	0	0
✓ 25. To Hendrick Nagel, for boarding Samuel Banta, a wounded Militia Man, 84 Days,	8	8	-
✓ 26. To Christopher Black, for a Gun, lost in the Service,	2	5	0
✓ 27. To Jacobus De-Clark, for boarding Uriah Vestervelt, a wounded Militia Man for 42 Days,	4	4	0
✓ 28. To Hannah Bogart, for boarding Peter D. Demarest, a wounded Militia Man, for 82 Days,	8	4	0
✓ 29. To Jacobus De-Clark, for boarding Hendrick Demarest, a wounded Militia Man, &c. for 110 Days,	16	10	0
✓ 30. To Daniel Verweelan, for a Gun and Accoutrements lost in the Service,	3	10	0
✓ 31. To Isaac Blawvelt, for monthly Pay, nursing and boarding of Jacob Blawvelt, a wounded Militia Man, for 45 Days,	10	6	0
32. To Philip Dey, for Medicines and Attendance of sundry wounded Militia Men in May and June last,	4	10	0
✓ 33. To Gertjie Haring, for a Gun and Accoutrements, impressed in the Service,	4	10	0
34. To Isaac Blawvelt, for his Expences to Doctor G. Jones, for reducing his fractured Arm that was broke in the Service,	11	0	0
35. To Cornelius Tunison, for carting Powder and other Services, as per Account,	2	0	0
✓ 36. To Colonel Asper Holmes, for Expences in conveying British Prisoners from Monmouth to Essex,	19	0	0
✓ 37. To Samuel Kennedy, for the Use of John Smith, for boarding and Attendance of Joel Phillips, a wounded Militia Man,	10	0	0
✓ 38. To John Cleves Symmes, Esq. for two Guns and Accoutrements, impressed from John Eassey,	7	10	0
✓ 39. To Daniel Marsh, Esq. for the Use of Major Scuddler, a wounded Militia Man in Colonel Jaques's Regiment of Essex County Militia, for Expences of Boarding, Nursing, Doctors Bills and monthly Pay,	7	3	6
✓ 40. To Morris Decamp, for a Gun lost in the Service,	3	0	0
✓ 41. To Abraham Decamp, for a Gun lost in the Service,	3	0	0
✓ 42. To the Honourable Josiah Hornblower, Esq. for the Use of Samuel Dod, for Expences of Boarding, Nursing &c. provided for Lieutenant James Joralmann, wounded in an Action near Springfield the seventh of June 1780,	21	15	0
✓ 43. To Zadock Hedden, for two Stand of Arms lost by himself and Brother in the Service,	7	0	0

A Message was received from the House of Assembly by Mr. Hughes and Mr. Carle, with a Copy of the foregoing Report, in the Words following :

THE House having considered the said Report,  
 Resolved, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay to the Persons therein named, the Sums annexed to their respective Names.

Ordered, That Mr. Hughes and Mr. Carle do carry the said Resolution to the Council, and request their Concurrence therein.

The Council having taken the foregoing Report and Resolution into Consideration,  
 Resolved, That the House do concur therein.

Ordered, That Mr. Symmes do wait on the House of Assembly, and acquaint them therewith.

Mr. Symmes reported, that he had obeyed the Order of the House.

A Message from the House of Assembly by Mr. *Wilson* and Mr. *Fenimore*, in the Words following :

‘ *Ordered*,

‘ **T**HAT Mr. *Wilson* and Mr. *Fenimore* do wait upon the Council, and acquaint them that the Bill, intituled, “ An Act to suspend the Operation of the Law of this State, for the Limitation of Actions,” is rejected by this House.’

The Honourable *Josiah Hornblower*, Esq. Speaker of the House of Assembly came into Council, and acquainted the President that the House of Assembly had gone through their Business, and closed the Session.

Whereupon the Council rose accordingly.

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**B**Y *Virtue* of an *Order* of the COUNCIL, I do appoint *Isaac Collins* to print these Journals.

*WIL. LIVINGSTON, President.*

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